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No. 1

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

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Week ended Saturday, 10th January 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 10th January 1953, the births of 1081 living children, and of 27 still-born children, 409 marriages and 864 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 21.9 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 8.3 and the death rate 17.5. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 24 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 7.5 more than in the previous week, and 2.1 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 9.6 less than in the previous week, and 7.6 below the average. The death-rate is 3.1 more than in the previous week, and 0.8 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 19.8 in Glasgow and 19.4 in Perth to 12.4 in Kilmarnock and 10.5 in Clydebank. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dundee 19.1 and in Airdrie 18.6. In Edinburgh the rate was 15.9.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 11, and are 8 more than in the previous week. They include 2 from meningococcal infections, 8 from influenza and 1 from measles.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 32, of which 29 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 18 more than in the previous week, and the latter 19 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 122, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 2.5 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.9 more than in the previous week, and 0.3 above the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 35, being 2 more than in the previous week. Of these, 16 were aged 0-6 days and 8 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 515, and are 87 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 37, and are 6 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 6th January 1953, was 11,480. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 34.5° being 0.5° below that for the previous week, and 4.7° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.23 inches, and the mean sunshine 10.4 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 1 — **Week ended SATURDAY, January 10th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness B.	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Orkney C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ross and Cromarty C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sutherland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zetland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	5	8	...	...	...	8	...	3	3	...	...	...	...	11
Aberdeen B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	59	...	...	1	17	...	...	1	...	8	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	8
Banff C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kincardine C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Moray and Nairn C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	7	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	59	...	...	3	27	8	...	1	...	24	...	13	5	...	...	...	...	19
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	7	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Arbroath B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dundee B.	2	22	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	9	5	...	...	8	...	...	...	2	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Fife C.	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	34	...	...	...	...	25	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	3
Dunfermline B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	56	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcaldy B.	...	8	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Perth and Kinross C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	4	...	...	...	5	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...
Perth B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
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LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro Fever	Chicken	Cholera	Continu	Diphthe	Dysente	Encephi Letha	Erysipel	Jaundic Infec	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Ophtha Neon	Plague	Pneumoni Influenz	Pneumoni Primary	Pneumo otherwise	Poliom Acute	Puerper	Puerperal	Scarlet	Smallp	Tuberc Resp	Tubercul Non-R	Typhoi	Para-ty	Para-ty	Typhus	Whoopi
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30
SOUTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Berwick C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
East Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Midlothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Edinburgh B.	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	2	...	...	...	17	...	...	2	6	...	...	...	...	22	...	16	...	...	...	...	...	15
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Roxburgh C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	2	...	...	...	17	...	...	2	9	...	...	...	...	35	...	20	...	...	...	...	...	17
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ayr C.	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	1	...	...	...	15	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	6
Ayr B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Kilmarnock B.	...	...	...	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	3	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Dunbarton C.	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	7	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clydebank B.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	4
Dumbarton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Dumfries B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcudbright C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	...	14	...	...	...	7	...	1	...	...	...	11	...	...	1	33	...	...	1	...	21	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	11
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Glasgow B.	16	198	...	2	9	34	...	4	...	...	...	54	3	...	4	130	...	...	3	6	67	...	38	4	...	...	...	...	32
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	4	...	...	...	3	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	7
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Renfrew C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	...	...	1	5	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1
Greenock B.	...	64	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	27	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Paisley B.	...	29	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	7	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...
Port-Glasgow B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	15	...	7	1	...	...	...	...	17
Falkirk B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling B.	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wigtown C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	19	306	...	3	9	57	...	12	1	...	...	119	3	...	9	228	8	...	4	8	178	...	72	12	...	...	...	...	84
GRAND TOTAL	22	336	...	3	11	73	...	17	1	...	...	267	10	...	16	326	23	...	5	10	303	...	113	21	...	...	...	...	127

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 10, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 6, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1951	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other respiratory diseases	Deaths from: Malignant neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 6th January 1953***
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,089,000	480	217	447	48	13	412	19.8	15	10	4	20	3	4	2	7	21	20	23	50	47	49	14	229	45	20	33.8	0.19	4.6	3,132
2. Edinburgh	466,900	173	53	164	24	2	142	15.9	1	...	1	1	...	1	1	1	3	3	5	9	21	27	2	99	42	27	35.5	0.06	13.3	1,062
3. Aberdeen	183,300	65	18	64	9	...	55	15.7	3	1	...	2	...	1	...	...	1	1	3	5	5	9	4	28	45	25	35.3	0.53	14.7	549
4. Dundee	178,400	69	19	65	4	4	65	19.1	2	1	...	4	...	...	1	1	...	...	3	3	9	9	9	40	40	24	33.2	0.19	17.5	485
5. Paisley	93,700	40	8	36	8	...	28	15.6	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	1	1	1	2	4	4	1	16	44	19	36.0	0.14	5.8	259
6. Greenock	75,900	36	11	22	...	...	22	15.1	2	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	18	48	25	37.2	0.32	5.3	262
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	68,200	30	11	14	...	4	18	13.8	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	3	2	10	...	...	...	...	...	357
8. Kirkcaldy	49,200	26	6	14	3	4	15	16.0	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	4	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	160
9. Coatbridge	48,000	26	5	11	...	5	16	17.4	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	1	2	1	3	1	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	179
10. Dunfermline	45,600	17	5	15	5	1	11	12.6	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	7	44	23	33.9	0.16	5.3	167
11. Clydebank	44,800	20	7	6	...	3	9	10.5	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	145
12. Ayr	43,100	20	5	11	2	3	12	14.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	1	1	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	196
13. Kilmarnock	42,200	14	5	10	2	2	10	12.4	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	1	...	5	46	21	34.3	0.33	12.6	162
14. Perth	40,500	21	13	15	3	3	15	19.4	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	3	1	12	41	18	31.6	0.13	14.7	123
15. Hamilton	40,400	17	11	5	...	7	12	15.5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	1	2	2	10	...	...	...	...	...	277
16. Falkirk	37,500	14	5	14	3	...	11	15.3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	...	1	9	...	...	...	...	...	179
17. Airdrie	31,000	13	10	7	1	5	11	18.6	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	1	...	2	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	119
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
January 10, 1953	2,577,500	1081	409	920	112	56	864	17.5	27	16	8	35	5	7	5	11	32	29	41	81	107	119	37	515	48	18	34.5	0.23	10.4	
January 3, 1953	2,577,500	708	880	756	104	57	709	14.4	20	15	3	33	6	6	2	3	14	10	80		92	94	31	428	47†	19†	35.0‡	0.26‡	8.9‡	
January 12, 1952	2,577,500	975	233	834	103	48	779	15.8	24	23	5	50	13	5	...	2	31	29	79		102	81	27	480	55†	28†	39.5‡	0.96‡	10.7‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes ‡ Weekly means.

*** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

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WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 17th January 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 17th January 1953, the births of 965 living children, and of 25 still-born children, 207 marriages and 773 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.6 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 4.2 and the death rate 15.7. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 25 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 2.3 less than in the previous week, but 0.7 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 4.1 less than in the previous week, and 1.4 below the average. The death-rate is 1.8 less than in the previous week, and 1.0 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 18.6 in Kilmarnock and 18.5 in Coatbridge to 10.3 in Hamilton and 10.1 in Airdrie. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Ayr 18.2 and in Kirkcaldy 18.1. In Glasgow the rate was 15.9 and in Edinburgh 17.7.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 3, and are 8 fewer than in the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal infections and 2 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 17, of which 14 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 15 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 15 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 102, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 2.1 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.4 less than in the previous week, and 0.4 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 41, being 6 more than in the previous week. Of these, 22 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 473, and are 42 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 30, and are 7 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 13th January 1953, was 22,521. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 43.5° being 9.0° above that for the previous week, and 4.5° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.18 inch, and the mean sunshine 7.5 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 2 — Week ended SATURDAY, January 17th, 1953.

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Orkney C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ross and Cromarty C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sutherland C.	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...
Zetland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	16	...	5	4	...	...	...	...	...
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	4	1	1	...	2	...	4	2	...	...	...	...	1
Aberdeen B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	19	1	...	...	10	...	...	...	1	11	...	4	...	...	...	1	...	5
Banff C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	5	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kincardine C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Moray and Nairn C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	1	...	...	19	1	...	...	19	4	2	1	1	23	...	9	2	...	...	1	...	6
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Arbroath B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dundee B.	1	78	...	...	...	14	...	6	...	1	1	16	5	...	...	4	...	...	1	...	6	...	4	4	...	...	...	...	8
Fife C.	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	13	...	...	...	1	18	...	5	4	...	...	...	...	5
Dunfermline B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1
Kirkcaldy B.	...	14	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Perth and Kinross C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perth B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...

LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Fever	Chicken	Cholera	Continu	Diphthe	Dysente	Encephal Letha	Erysipel	Jaundice Infect	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Ophthal Neon	Plague	Pneumoni Influenza	Pneumoni Primary	Pneumo otherwise	Poliomy Acute	Puerper	Puerperal	Scarlet	Smallpo	Tubercu Respi	Tuberculo Non-Re	Typhoid	Para-typ	Para-typ	Typhus	Whoopin
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30
SOUTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Berwick C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
East Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midlothian C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Edinburgh B.	1	...	...	...	...	8	...	3	...	...	...	8	...	...	2	17	...	...	...	...	20	...	26	2	...	...	...	...	24
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3
Roxburgh C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3
TOTAL	2	...	...	...	...	8	...	4	...	...	...	8	...	...	2	17	2	...	...	...	33	...	34	2	...	...	...	...	30
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2
Ayr C.	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	1	8	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	1
Ayr B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kilmarnock B.	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	6	2	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dunbarton C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	10	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1
Clydebank B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	5	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...
Dumbarton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcudbright C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	1	16	...	...	1	19	...	1	...	...	...	21	3	...	...	16	...	...	...	1	13	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	14
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	7	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Glasgow B.	24	942	...	8	6	38	...	9	...	...	1	187	2	...	4	167	...	1	4	3	106	...	34	5	...	...	...	...	106
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	6	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Renfrew C.	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	2	...	...	...	7	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	4
Greenock B.	...	41	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2
Paisley B.	...	22	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	15	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Port-Glasgow B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	15	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	3
Falkirk B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling B.	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wigtown C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
TOTAL	26	1022	...	8	8	71	...	16	...	...	1	245	5	...	8	245	10	1	5	5	207	...	67	13	...	...	...	...	141
GRAND TOTAL	30	1116	...	8	9	96	...	30	1	1	2	319	15	...	10	306	17	3	7	8	332	...	128	30	...	...	1	...	192

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 2

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 17, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 13, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1951	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other respiratory diseases	Deaths from: Malignant neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 13th January 1953***
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,089,000	414	94	358	40	14	332	15.9	13	8	2	19	2	3	1	...	9	6	16	34	41	31	15	193	49	33	42.6	0.10	0.4	6,321
2. Edinburgh	466,900	153	23	174	18	2	158	17.7	2	2	...	5	...	1	1	2	3	3	8	9	26	24	7	108	51	35	44.3	0.05	14.1	2,024
3. Aberdeen	183,300	67	18	55	10	...	45	12.8	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	4	6	9	1	27	55	33	43.2	0.15	18.5	935
4. Dundee	178,400	67	12	53	7	3	49	14.4	2	2	...	3	1	1	...	...	1	1	3	4	11	5	2	29	50	32	42.2	0.03	12.0	956
5. Paisley	93,700	31	7	34	9	3	28	15.6	1	3	...	4	1	1	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	4	3	20	50	35	44.9	0.14	3.3	559
6. Greenock	75,900	33	11	25	6	...	19	13.1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	2	1	...	...	3	...	10	50	39	45.0	0.47	3.1	490
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	68,200	25	4	18	4	2	16	12.3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	2	1	1	10	...	...	...	...	...	668
8. Kirkcaldy	49,200	15	5	20	4	1	17	18.1	2	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	4	2	1	10	...	...	...	...	...	350
9. Coatbridge	48,000	34	6	13	2	6	17	18.5	1	3	...	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	1	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	299
10. Dunfermline	45,600	18	2	13	3	2	12	13.8	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	9	48	32	42.7	0.07	2.7	395
11. Clydebank	44,800	26	3	11	2	5	14	16.3	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	4	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	319
12. Ayr	43,100	12	2	16	1	...	15	18.2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	4	1	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	428
13. Kilmarnock	42,200	18	6	21	7	1	15	18.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	2	3	...	13	49	37	44.0	0.57	4.3	302
14. Perth	40,500	20	8	16	4	1	13	16.8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	...	10	51	29	42.4	0.00	9.1	269
15. Hamilton	40,400	16	2	5	...	3	8	10.3	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	562
16. Falkirk	37,500	7	2	13	5	1	9	12.5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	1	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	383
17. Airdrie	31,000	9	2	4	1	3	6	10.1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	203
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
January 17, 1953	2,577,500	965	207	849	123	47	773	15.7	25	22	2	41	6	8	2	3	17	14	36	66	108	92	30	473	55	29	43.5	0.18	7.5	
January 10, 1953	2,577,500	1081	409	920	112	56	864	17.5	27	16	8	35	5	7	5	11	32	29	41	81	107	119	37	515	48†	18†	34.5‡	0.23‡	10.4‡	
January 19, 1952	2,577,500	913	199	698	79	39	658	13.3	26	15	5	29	9	5	2	2	23	21	51		101	80	32	408	52†	24†	36.6‡	1.27‡	16.2‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes ‡ Weekly means.

*** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 3

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 24th January 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 24th January 1953, the births of 919 living children, and of 24 still-born children, 239 marriages and 699 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.6 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 4.8 and the death rate 14.2. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 25 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.0 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.6 more than in the previous week, but 0.2 below the average. The death-rate is 1.5 less than in the previous week, and 2.3 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 23.6 in Airdrie and 20.6 in Ayr to 8.4 in Falkirk and 8.0 in Dunfermline. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Edinburgh 18.0 and in Coatbridge 17.4. In Glasgow the rate was 13.3.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 4, and are 1 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal infections, 2 from influenza and 1 from measles.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 22, of which 20 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 5 more than in the previous week, and the latter 6 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 73, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.5 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.6 less than in the previous week, and 0.9 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 40, being 1 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 21 were aged 0-6 days and 7 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 430, and are 43 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 22, and are 8 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 20th January 1953, was 18,541 The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 41.0° being 2.5° below that for the previous week, but 3.2° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.27 inch, and the mean sunshine 12.1 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 3 — **Week ended SATURDAY, January 24th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness C.	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Orkney C.	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ross and Cromarty C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sutherland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zetland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
TOTAL	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	11	...	6	1	...	...	...	...	5
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Aberdeen B.	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	7	...	1	...	1	10	...	6	1	...	...	1	...	14
Banff C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kincardine C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Moray and Nairn C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	13	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2
TOTAL	1	...	...	...	...	4	...	4	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	20	1	1	1	2	29	...	8	2	...	...	1	...	17
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	8	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Arbroath B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dundee B.	2	44	...	...	...	29	...	3	...	...	...	9	3	...	...	11	...	...	...	1	12	...	5	1	...	...	...	...	9
Fife C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	7	...	...	...	...	24	...	7	...	1	...	...	...	12
Dunfermline B.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Kirkcaldy B.	...	5	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Perth and Kinross C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perth B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	4	49	...	...	...	30	...	5	...	...	...	35	3	...	1	21	...	...	...	3	55	...	18	2	1	...	...	...	24

LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	Chicken-pox	Cholera	Conjunctivitis	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice Infectious	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia Influenza	Pneumonia Primary	Pneumonia otherwise	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Pyrexia	Puerperal Septicaemia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis Respiratory	Tuberculosis Non-Respiratory	Typhoid	Paratyphoid A	Paratyphoid B	Typhus	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
SOUTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Berwick C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
East Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midlothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	...
Edinburgh B.	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	1	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	16	...	...	...	...	20	...	27	3	...	...	...	...	19
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Roxburgh C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	7	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	2	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	19	...	...	...	...	49	...	36	6	...	...	...	...	25
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ayr C.	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	...	...	11	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	4
Ayr B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kilmarnock B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	3
Dunbarton C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clydebank B.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Dumbarton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcudbright C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	...	13	...	...	...	27	...	2	...	...	...	45	1	...	...	18	...	...	2	...	15	...	7	1	...	...	...	...	18
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Glasgow B.	12	389	...	3	7	44	...	8	...	...	...	77	...	...	1	112	...	...	2	4	61	...	40	6	...	...	...	...	86
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	5	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	7
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	2
Renfrew C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	12	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	1
Greenock B.	...	33	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	17	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Paisley B.	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	14	1	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Port-Glasgow B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	2
Falkirk B.	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	...
Stirling B.	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wigtown C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	13	438	...	3	9	82	...	14	1	...	...	172	2	...	1	171	5	...	4	4	153	...	77	13	...	...	1	...	129
GRAND TOTAL	18	492	...	3	9	128	...	25	1	...	...	232	5	...	2	234	6	2	5	9	297	...	145	24	1	...	2	...	200

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 3

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 24, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 20, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1951	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other respiratory diseases	Deaths from: Malignant neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 20th January 1953**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,089,000	413	126	301	31	8	278	13.3	9	11	5	20	3	6	3	1	14	13	6	25	38	44	6	165	45	34	39.8	0.11	7.0	5,088
2. Edinburgh	466,900	152	33	180	21	2	161	18.0	2	5	...	7	2	...	...	1	3	3	8	12	32	17	9	113	47	35	41.7	0.07	18.2	1,662
3. Aberdeen	183,300	55	11	57	14	...	43	12.3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	1	10	7	1	24	49	30	40.6	1.33	10.3	811
4. Dundee	178,400	66	15	45	6	3	42	12.3	2	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	3	5	10	1	31	46	33	39.9	0.19	20.1	817
5. Paisley	93,700	27	9	27	2	4	29	16.2	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	1	1	1	1	1	2	4	...	14	48	36	42.7	0.09	7.8	474
6. Greenock	75,900	26	7	20	1	...	19	13.1	2	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	2	1	...	1	4	2	...	10	48	37	42.5	0.29	4.7	399
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	68,200	28	3	14	2	3	15	11.5	3	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	2	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	563
8. Kirkcaldy	49,200	12	2	11	2	1	10	10.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	265
9. Coatbridge	48,000	24	2	12	...	4	16	17.4	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	3	1	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	276
10. Dunfermline	45,600	15	2	8	2	1	7	8.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	6	47	33	40.1	0.16	13.8	282
11. Clydebank	44,800	23	5	7	...	2	9	10.5	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	2	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	283
12. Ayr	43,100	12	5	16	2	3	17	20.6	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	3	2	12	...	...	...	...	...	357
13. Kilmarnock	42,200	17	1	10	2	4	12	14.9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	2	...	6	47	35	41.2	0.03	8.3	238
14. Perth	40,500	10	7	9	3	2	8	10.3	...	2	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	...	4	48	30	40.3	0.13	18.4	195
15. Hamilton	40,400	15	4	7	...	6	13	16.8	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	427
16. Falkirk	37,500	11	2	9	3	...	6	8.4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	273
17. Airdrie	31,000	13	5	11	...	3	14	23.6	1	1	1	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	2	7	...	...	...	...	...	178
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
January 24, 1953	2,577,500	919	239	744	91	46	699	14.2	24	21	7	40	8	8	3	4	22	20	23	50	114	101	22	430	49	30	41.0	0.27	12.1	
January 17, 1953	2,577,500	965	207	849	123	47	773	15.7	25	22	2	41	6	8	2	3	17	14	36	66	108	92	30	473	55†	29†	43.5‡	0.18‡	7.5‡	
January 26, 1952	2,577,500	840	248	795	99	58	754	15.3	31	14	6	30	5	8	4	4	33	30	87		88	104	24	459	41†	11†	28.8‡	0.17‡	5.4‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

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No. 4

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 31st January 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 31st January 1953, the births of 849 living children, and of 27 still-born children, 264 marriages and 621 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.2 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 5.4 and the death rate 12.6. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 31 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.4 less than in the previous week, and 1.0 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.6 more than in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average. The death-rate is 1.6 less than in the previous week, and 4.2 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 14.2 in Edinburgh and 14.0 in Clydebank to 7.0 in Falkirk and 5.4 in Coatbridge. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Glasgow 13.6 and in Perth 12.9.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 5, and are 1 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal infections, 1 from whooping-cough, 2 from influenza and 1 from measles.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 23, of which 20 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 more than in the previous week, and the latter the same.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 75, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.5 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, and 1.0 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 38, being 2 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 19 were aged 0-6 days and 4 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 352, and are 78 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 32, and are 10 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 27th January 1953, was 17,059. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 43.7° being 2.7° above that for the previous week, and 4.4° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.91 inch, and the mean sunshine 11.9 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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No. 4 — **Week ended SATURDAY, January 31st, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
Northern Area.—																													
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Aberdeen B.	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	35	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	1	9	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	10
Banff C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kincardine C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Moray and Nairn C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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Eastern Area.—																													
Angus C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Arbroath B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dundee B.	2	43	...	...	...	27	...	2	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	11	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	6
Fife C.	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	9	...	...	...	...	27	...	11	1	...	...	...	...	3
Dunfermline B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Kirkcaldy B.	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perth and Kinross C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	5	...	...	...	1	...	...
Perth B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...

AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Fever	Chicken	Cholera	Continue	Diphther	Dysenter	Encepha Lethar	Erysipel	Jaundice Infecti	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Ophthal Neona	Plague	Pneumonia Influenza	Pneumonia Primary	Pneumon otherwise	Poliomy Acute	Puerpera	Puerperal	Scarlet F	Smallpo	Tubercul Respir	Tuberculos Non-Res	Typhoid	Para-typ	Para-typ	Typhus	Whoopin
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SOUTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Berwick C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
East Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midlothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	4	...	...	...	...	...
Edinburgh B.	3	...	...	...	...	7	...	2	...	...	...	10	...	...	2	16	...	...	...	...	22	...	12	2	...	...	...	...	14
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Roxburgh C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	9	...	5	1	...	...	...	...	2
TOTAL	3	...	...	...	...	7	...	3	...	...	...	10	...	...	2	17	1	...	...	...	36	...	26	7	...	...	...	...	21
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ayr C.	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	12	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	5
Ayr B.	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kilmarnock B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	12	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Dunbarton C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	...	...	...	...	6	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1
Clydebank B.	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	5
Dumbarton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	11
Dumfries B.	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcudbright C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	1	14	...	...	...	24	...	...	...	...	...	52	3	...	...	22	...	...	1	...	12	...	13	3	...	...	...	...	19
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Glasgow B.	3	295	...	4	9	38	...	2	...	...	...	89	2	...	...	103	...	...	5	5	61	...	46	2	...	...	...	...	51
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	3	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	8
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Renfrew C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	...	...	...	8	...	4	2	...	...	...	...	4
Greenock B.	...	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	19	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	3
Paisley B.	...	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	5	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Port-Glasgow B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1
Stirling C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	17	...	3	...	...	...	1	...	2
Falkirk B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wigtown C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	6	369	...	4	9	69	...	4	1	...	...	181	5	...	4	167	9	1	7	6	169	...	98	11	...	...	1	...	115
GRAND TOTAL	12	419	...	4	9	110	...	15	2	...	2	273	5	...	7	221	17	1	7	9	292	...	165	21	...	...	2	...	159

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 4

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 31, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 27, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1951	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other respiratory diseases	Deaths from: Malignant neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 27th January 1953**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,089,000	394	106	300	29	13	284	13.6	13	15	3	28	9	4	2	3	12	12	13	21	41	28	16	138	50	28	42.2	1.03	11.0	4,605
2. Edinburgh	466,900	127	46	141	19	5	127	14.2	3	1	1	2	...	2	...	2	4	4	6	10	21	13	6	82	52	31	43.6	0.12	8.0	1,571
3. Aberdeen	183,300	51	23	55	11	1	45	12.8	...	2	...	2	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	1	9	7	1	30	56	32	43.9	0.40	13.7	737
4. Dundee	178,400	59	17	36	6	3	33	9.7	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	4	3	4	2	2	23	56	30	43.8	0.25	16.3	734
5. Paisley	93,700	38	16	16	3	3	16	8.9	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	1	1	10	53	31	44.5	1.29	12.8	419
6. Greenock	75,900	29	8	24	6	...	18	12.4	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	5	...	1	10	52	34	44.1	2.56	7.4	399
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	68,200	23	7	9	1	7	15	11.5	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	5	1	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	552
8. Kirkcaldy	49,200	16	2	11	1	[illegible]	12	12.8	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	2	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	255
9. Coatbridge	48,000	23	4	4	...	[illegible]	5	5.4	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	297
10. Dunfermline	45,600	16	3	9	...	[illegible]	11	12.6	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	...	8	52	29	43.3	0.31	11.9	301
11. Clydebank	44,800	11	2	10	...	[illegible]	12	14.0	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	...	234
12. Ayr	43,100	11	7	11	4	1	8	9.7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	285
13. Kilmarnock	42,200	7	3	8	1	1	8	9.9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	1	4	51	30	42.9	1.95	12.1	210
14. Perth	40,500	16	6	15	7	2	10	12.9	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	1	1	...	2	2	...	5	57	26	44.6	0.29	13.9	209
15. Hamilton	40,400	15	6	3	1	5	7	9.1	2	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	2	4	...	...	...	...	...	416
16. Falkirk	37,500	7	3	6	2	1	5	7.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	270
17. Airdrie	31,000	6	5	6	1	...	5	8.4	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	154
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
January 31, 1953	2,577,500	849	264	664	92	49	621	14.6	27	19	4	38	10	7	3	5	23	20	29	46	100	60	32	352	57	26	43.7	0.91	11.9	
January 24, 1953	2,577,500	919	239	744	91	46	699	14.2	24	21	7	40	8	8	3	4	22	20	23	50	114	101	22	430	49†	30†	41.0‡	0.27‡	12.1‡	
February 2, 1952	2,577,500	857	284	881	115	71	837	17.0	26	11	8	38	1	6	1	4	21	21	113		100	99	25	518	43†	11†	30.3‡	1.06‡	21.4‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 5

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 7th February 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 7th February 1953, the births of 876 living children, and of 19 still-born children, 382 marriages and 601 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.6 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 7.7 and the death rate 12.1. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 21 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.5 more than in the previous week, but 0.7 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 2.4 more than in the previous week, and 0.8 above the average. The death-rate is 0.4 less than in the previous week, and 4.2 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 21.0 in Kilmarnock and 16.9 in Kirkcaldy to 5.8 in Dunfermline and 2.6 in Perth. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Paisley 14.9 and in Falkirk 14.0. In Glasgow the rate was 12.1 and in Edinburgh 13.4.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2, and are 3 fewer than in the previous week. The 2 deaths registered were from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 22, of which 15 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 5 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 57, and equalled an annual death rate from these causes of 1.1 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.4 less than in the previous week, and 1.2 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 33, being 5 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 23 were aged 0-6 days but there were none aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 358, and are 6 more than previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 23, and are 9 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 3rd February 1953, was 17,916. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 35.7° being 8.0° below that for the previous week, and 3.2° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.06 inch, and the mean sunshine 27.2 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 5 — **Week ended SATURDAY, February 7th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerpera l Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3
Inverness B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Orkney C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...
Ross and Cromarty C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	6	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1
Sutherland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
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Banff C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kincardine C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
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Angus C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Arbroath B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dundee B.	...	58	...	...	...	16	...	1	...	...	...	23	4	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	17	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	6
Fife C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	22	...	8	1	...	...	...	...	5
Dunfermline B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcaldy B.	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	6	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Perth and Kinross C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	...
Perth B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...

LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	Chicken-pox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Enceph-alitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice Infectious	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia Influenza	Pneumonia Primary	Pneumonia otherwise	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Pyrexia	Puerperal Septicæmia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis Respiratory	Tuberculosis Non-Respiratory	Typhoid	Paratyphoid	Para-typhoid	Typhus	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
SOUTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Berwick C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
East Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Midlothian C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Edinburgh B.	1	...	...	...	...	16	...	6	...	...	...	13	...	...	1	11	...	...	...	...	28	...	11	3	...	...	...	...	11
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Roxburgh C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	6	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	2	...	1	10	1	16	...	6	...	...	...	13	...	...	3	12	...	...	...	...	44	...	16	5	...	...	...	...	16
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Ayr C.	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	...	...	10	...	7	1	...	...	...	...	5
Ayr B.	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	4	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kilmarnock B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Dunbarton C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	12	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Clydebank B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Dumbarton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3
Dumfries B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcudbright C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	...	6	...	...	1	27	...	1	...	...	1	69	...	...	...	21	...	...	2	...	10	...	12	4	...	...	...	...	23
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Glasgow B.	6	333	...	3	10	46	...	5	...	...	...	96	...	...	2	109	...	1	8	2	60	...	60	4	...	...	...	...	88
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	6	...	...	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	15
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Renfrew C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	5	...	4	3	...	...	...	...	1
Greenock B.	...	25	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	...	...	1	1	2	...	...	1	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	9
Paisley B.	1	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	4	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...
Port-Glasgow B.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
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Falkirk B.	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Stirling B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Wigtown C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	10	373	...	3	12	85	1	7	...	...	2	210	1	...	6	175	10	1	10	3	146	...	110	15	...	...	...	...	162
GRAND TOTAL	14	438	...	3	12	117	1	24	...	...	2	292	5	...	10	223	20	1	10	3	270	...	158	30	...	...	...	...	204

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 5

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 7, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 3, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	7-27 days	Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Congenital Malformations	Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Tuberculosis: All Forms	Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Pneumonia	Other respiratory diseases	Malignant neoplasms	Coronary thrombosis	Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Absolute Lowest	Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 3rd February 1953*,*
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	377	180	260	19	12	253	12.1	9	10	...	14	4	2	...	...	11	9	7	23	38	26	11	134	46	26	35.3	0.01	32.8	4,750
2. Edinburgh	474,500	142	46	137	18	3	122	13.4	1	3	...	3	...	...	...	1	3	1	8	4	23	19	2	83	44	30	35.3	0.03	20.7	1,687
3. Aberdeen	183,800	55	29	43	9	3	37	10.5	...	2	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	10	4	4	20	42	29	35.0	0.26	14.7	730
4. Dundee	178,300	68	26	48	11	4	41	12.0	...	5	...	7	3	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	7	2	...	22	43	30	36.1	0.05	25.5	725
5. Paisley	94,400	38	16	28	5	4	27	14.9	2	2	...	2	1	2	...	...	2	2	...	1	1	5	1	17	49	28	37.3	0.00	32.7	420
6. Greenock	76,700	23	16	20	3	1	18	12.2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	3	...	2	2	1	13	46	29	36.9	0.06	27.5	410
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	20	12	13	2	1	12	9.1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	2	2	8	...	...	...	...	...	527
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	17	4	18	4	2	16	16.9	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	3	2	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	249
9. Coatbridge	49,200	28	9	9	...	2	11	11.7	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	8	...	...	...	...	...	283
10. Dunfermline	45,200	12	5	6	2	1	5	5.8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	44	27	35.9	0.05	28.0	336
11. Clydebank	45,700	21	9	7	1	2	8	9.1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	4	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	286
12. Ayr	43,200	14	3	8	3	2	7	8.5	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	3	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	378
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	16	8	20	4	1	17	21.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	1	3	...	9	46	20	33.6	0.00	33.3	248
14. Perth	40,300	17	4	5	3	...	2	2.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	46	21	35.7	0.07	29.6	195
15. Hamilton	41,100	13	5	6	1	2	7	8.9	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	1	2	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	483
16. Falkirk	37,100	6	5	11	2	1	10	14.0	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	2	1	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	273
17. Airdrie	31,400	9	5	9	1	...	8	13.3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	197
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
February 7, 1953	2,588,300	876	382	648	88	41	601	12.1	19	23	...	33	10	4	...	2	22	15	21	36	95	72	23	358	49	20	35.7	0.06	27.2	
January 31, 1953	2,588,300	849	264	664	92	49	621	12.5	27	19	4	38	10	7	3	5	23	20	29	46	100	60	32	352	57†	26†	43.7‡	0.91‡	11.9‡	
February 9, 1952	2,577,500‖	914	274	863	90	56	829	16.8	21	17	7	41	10	5	5	4	27	25	115		116	94	17	514	49†	22†	37.0‡	0.31‡	30.5‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes ‡ Weekly means.

, These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

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No. 6

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 14th February 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 14th February 1953, the births of 880 living children, and of 19 still-born children, 442 marriages and 644 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.7 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 8.9 and the death rate 13.0. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 21 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but 0.7 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.2 more than in the previous week, and 2.2 above the average. The death-rate is 0.9 more than in the previous week, but 3.2 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 20.7 in Perth and 19.0 in Kirkcaldy to 10.3 in Clydebank and 5.8 in Dunfermline. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Kilmarnock 17.3 and in Motherwell & Wishaw 16.6. In Glasgow the rate was 12.7 and in Edinburgh 13.4.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 5, and are 3 more than in the previous week. They include 2 from meningococcal infections and 3 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 18, all of which were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 4 fewer than in the previous week, but the latter 3 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 60, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.2 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but 1.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 31, being 2 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 17 were aged 0-6 days and 6 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 404, and are 46 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 21, and are 2 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 10th February 1953, was 18,336. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 34.3° being 1.4° below that for the previous week, and 4.4° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.61 inch, and the mean sunshine 12.2 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 6 — **Week ended SATURDAY, February 14th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerpera Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Orkney C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ross and Cromarty C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	4
Sutherland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Zetland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
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NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	9	...	...	...	3	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	1
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Banff C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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Dundee B.	...	33	...	...	...	21	...	...	...	...	...	30	2	...	...	10	...	...	...	1	5	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	8
Fife C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	18	...	9	3	...	...	...	...	3
Dunfermline B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	27	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcaldy B.	1	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	...	2	3	...	...	...	...	2
Perth and Kinross C.	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Fever	Chicken-pox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice Infectious	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia Influenza	Pneumonia Primary	Pneumonia otherwise	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis Respiratory	Tuberculosis Non-Respiratory	Typhus	Paratyphoid	Paratyphoid	Typhoid	Whooping-Cough
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Midlothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1
Edinburgh B.	...	...	...	...	...	21	...	2	...	...	...	29	...	...	4	15	...	...	...	...	24	...	18	5	...	...	...	...	24
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Roxburgh C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	2	...	...	1	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Lothian C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
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Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dunbarton C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	10	...	...	...	...	7	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2
Clydebank B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	2	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	2
Dumbarton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Dumfries B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcudbright C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	...	2	...	...	1	22	...	2	...	...	...	81	...	...	1	24	...	...	2	...	4	...	5	4	...	...	...	...	27
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	12	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Glasgow B.	13	387	...	1	11	40	...	3	...	...	...	123	3	...	5	142	...	...	8	2	66	...	57	3	...	...	...	...	84
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Renfrew C.	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	7	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	1
Greenock B.	...	31	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	6
Paisley B.	...	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Port-Glasgow B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
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Stirling B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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TOTAL	15	433	...	1	12	70	...	12	...	...	...	262	3	...	8	222	2	...	12	2	155	...	98	11	...	...	...	...	140
GRAND TOTAL	19	477	...	1	13	113	..	19	...	...	...	372	7	...	13	282	11	...	12	6	247	...	170	29	...	...	1	...	196

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 6

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 14, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 10, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other respiratory diseases	Deaths from: Malignant neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 10th February 1953*.*
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	385	214	277	28	15	264	12.7	11	9	2	15	1	4	2	...	9	9	10	19	40	37	3	150	48	25	34.3	0.53	14.3	5,297
2. Edinburgh	474,500	143	54	133	17	6	122	13.4	1	2	1	4	...	...	...	2	3	3	6	4	17	20	8	85	44	28	34.9	0.60	9.1	1,628
3. Aberdeen	183,800	63	26	54	11	4	47	13.3	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	8	12	3	32	41	25	32.6	0.98	12.2	758
4. Dundee	178,300	47	25	45	7	1	39	11.4	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	10	4	2	25	44	26	33.6	0.52	13.6	704
5. Paisley	94,400	37	16	28	9	...	19	10.5	1	...	2	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	2	1	16	51	27	36.6	0.61	13.2	452
6. Greenock	76,700	25	21	22	3	...	19	12.9	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	2	1	1	11	49	30	36.6	0.61	11.5	401
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	19	10	16	2	8	22	16.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	3	3	1	13	...	...	...	...	...	543
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	17	7	16	2	4	18	19.0	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	1	2	...	1	15	...	...	...	...	...	296
9. Coatbridge	49,200	20	12	7	...	7	14	14 8	2	2	1	3	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	1	...	1	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	315
10. Dunfermline	45,200	10	5	8	3	...	5	5.8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	3	46	27	34.2	0.39	13.4	339
11. Clydebank	45,700	25	10	6	...	3	9	10.3	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	4	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	272
12. Ayr	43,200	22	6	12	5	2	9	10.9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	2	3	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	358
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	18	3	16	4	2	14	17.3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	3	...	7	46	16	32.3	0.73	13.2	209
14. Perth	40,300	13	4	16	2	2	16	20.7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	2	3	...	11	46	23	33.2	0.54	9.0	193
15. Hamilton	41,100	17	17	9	2	3	10	12.7	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	434
16. Falkirk	37,100	6	7	11	2	...	9	12.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	2	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	270
17. Airdrie	31,400	13	5	4	...	4	8	13.3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	171
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
February 14, 1953	2,588,300	880	442	680	97	61	644	13.0	19	17	6	31	3	4	3	5	18	18	22	38	90	96	21	404	51	16	34.3	0.61	12.2	
February 7, 1953	2,588,300	876	382	648	88	41	601	12.1	19	23	...	33	10	4	...	2	22	15	21	36	95	72	23	358	49†	20†	35.7‡	0.06‡	27.2‡	
February 16, 1952	2,577,500‖	856	349	856	91	44	809	16.4	28	15	8	37	1	6	1	4	44	39	91		126	95	23	502	50†	22†	34.1‡	0.27‡	12.6‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

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No. 7

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 21st February 1953

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 21st February 1953, the births of 925 living children, and of 23 still-born children, 675 marriages and 808 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.6 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 13.6 and the death rate 16.3. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 24 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.9 more than in the previous week, and the same as the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 4.7 more than in the previous week, and 7.2 above the average. The death-rate is 3.3 more than in the previous week, and 0.8 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 20.8 in Dunfermline and 18.6 in Glasgow to 8.4 in Falkirk and 6.2 in Kilmarnock. A relatively high death-rate occurred in Edinburgh, 18.1.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 27, and are 22 more than in the previous week. All were from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 34, and as in last week all were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. These are 16 more than in the previous week,

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 105, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 2.1 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.9 more than in the previous week, and the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 36, being 5 more than in the previous week. Of these, 15 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 487, and are 83 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 32, and are 11 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 17th February 1953 was 23,092. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 45.5° being 11.2° above that for the previous week, and 7.1° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.33 inch, and the mean sunshine 12.3 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 7 — Week ended **SATURDAY**, February 21st, 1953.

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerpera Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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Ross and Cromarty C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2
Sutherland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zetland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35
TOTAL	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	10	...	3	2	...	...	...	...	37
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Angus C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	...	...	...	4	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Arbroath B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dundee B.	1	60	...	...	...	25	...	6	...	...	...	43	3	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	6	...	11	...	...	...	...	...	8
Fife C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	16	...	4	2	...	...	...	...	3
Dunfermline B.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcaldy B.	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	7	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Perth and Kinross C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	6	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	5
Perth B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Fever	Chicken	Cholera	Contin	Diphth	Dysent	Enceph Lethi	Erys.p	Jaundi Infec	Leprosy	Malari	Measle	Ophth Neo	Plague	Pneumon Influen	Pneumon Primar	Pneum otherwis	Polion Acu	Puerp	Puerpe	Scarle	Smallp	Tuber Res	Tubercu Non-I	Typho	Para-t	Para-t	Typhu	Whoop
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
SOUTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Berwick C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
East Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midlothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	6	2	...	...	...	...	1
Edinburgh B.	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	3	...	...	...	17	...	...	11	7	...	...	...	...	23	...	21	2	...	...	...	...	31
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Roxburgh C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4	...	5	1	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	1	...	...	...	...	9	...	3	...	...	...	17	...	...	12	8	...	...	1	...	28	...	34	5	...	...	...	...	32
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ayr C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	6	1	...	...	...	12	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	4
Ayr B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kilmarnock B.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Dunbarton C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	...	...	...	...	8	...	5	3	...	...	...	...	2
Clydebank B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Dumbarton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	5
Dumfries B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcudbright C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	1	10	...	...	5	44	...	2	...	...	...	128	1	...	1	40	...	...	...	...	6	...	8	3	...	...	...	...	17
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Glasgow B.	19	261	...	3	14	42	...	3	...	...	...	152	3	...	28	256	...	1	3	1	61	...	37	6	1	...	...	...	103
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	...	...	...	6	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	2
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Renfrew C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	1	...	...	...	11	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	8
Greenock B.	...	17	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	4	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	5
Paisley B.	...	14	...	...	...	7	...	1	...	...	...	19	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Port-Glasgow B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Stirling C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	2
Falkirk B.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wigtown C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	24	302	...	3	19	101	1	11	...	...	...	352	4	...	34	353	14	1	3	1	171	...	97	14	1	...	...	...	150
GRAND TOTAL	28	371	...	3	19	136	1	26	1	...	2	447	8	...	47	406	22	2	5	3	264	...	158	28	1	...	7	...	253

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 7

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 21, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 17, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other respiratory diseases	Deaths from: Malignant neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 17th February 1953***
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	389	304	410	39	17	388	18.6	13	6	2	17	2	5	1	13	16	16	19	43	51	46	11	232	54	37	44.7	0.42	5.3	7,146
2. Edinburgh	474,500	152	92	187	26	4	165	18.1	1	3	...	6	...	1	...	8	7	7	12	9	19	16	8	108	55	37	45.9	0.07	12.7	2,378
3. Aberdeen	183,800	50	45	50	11	2	41	11.6	2	...	1	2	...	1	...	1	2	2	1	2	6	4	2	30	56	34	44.8	0.02	24.0	829
4. Dundee	178,300	77	44	57	10	2	49	14.3	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	6	4	2	34	56	36	45.8	0.05	21.7	771
5. Paisley	94,400	26	31	31	9	1	23	12.7	...	2	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	4	2	4	2	9	54	39	46.4	0.47	6.6	480
6. Greenock	76,700	34	22	23	6	2	19	12.9	1	1	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	3	1	11	53	39	46.1	1.55	4.4	510
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	21	22	14	1	5	18	13.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	2	1	1	3	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	675
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	15	12	15	3	3	15	15.8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	1	1	3	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	333
9. Coatbridge	49,200	29	18	8	1	5	12	12.7	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	1	2	2	...	...	...	1	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	408
10. Dunfermline	45,200	17	11	22	6	2	18	20.8	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	1	1	2	12	58	36	45.8	0.02	10.7	409
11. Clydebank	45,700	26	14	6	...	5	11	12.6	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	329
12. Ayr	43,200	8	7	9	2	1	8	9.7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	405
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	12	12	8	5	2	5	6.2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	51	30	43.9	0.37	3.4	332
14. Perth	40,300	11	8	10	3	2	9	11.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	2	4	58	35	45.9	0.03	22.1	202
15. Hamilton	41,100	24	16	9	...	3	12	15.2	...	2	...	2	1	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	2	2	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	567
16. Falkirk	37,100	15	4	6	2	2	6	8.4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	2	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	319
17. Airdrie	31,400	19	13	4	...	5	9	14.9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	270
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
February 21, 1953	2,588,300	925	675	869	124	63	808	16.3	23	15	3	36	5	9	1	27	34	34	40	65	102	87	32	487	58	30	45.5	0.33	12 3	
February 14, 1953	2,588,300	880	442	680	97	61	644	13.0	19	17	6	31	3	4	3	5	18	18	22	38	90	96	21	404	51†	16†	34.3‡	0.61‡	12.2‡	
February 23, 1952	2,577,500‖	910	487	831	89	54	796	16.1	28	16	4	43	4	...	1	10	35	30	99		121	86	24	481	56†	33†	44.6‡	0.09‡	17.3‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes ‡ Weekly means.

*** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 28th February 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 28th February 1953, the births of 914 living children, and of 21 still-born children, 351 marriages and 754 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.4 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 7.1 and the death rate 15.2. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 22 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 1.0 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 6.5 less than in the previous week, and 1.4 below the average. The death-rate is 1.1 less than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 19.6 in Dunfermline and 17.6 in Edinburgh to 8.3 in Airdrie and 7.4 in Kilmarnock. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Motherwell & Wishaw 17.4, in Greenock 17.0 and in Glasgow 16.5.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 22, and are 5 fewer than in the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal infections, 1 from whooping cough and 20 from influenza. In addition there was 1 death from dysentery.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 15, of which 10 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 19 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 24 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 88, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.8 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.3 less than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 47, being 11 more than in the previous week. Of these, 24 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 464, and are 23 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 42, and are 10 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 24th February 1953 was 25,929. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 48.2° being 2.7° above that for the previous week, and 9.1° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.33 inch, and the mean sunshine 22.0 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 8 — **Week ended SATURDAY, February 28th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerpera Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Orkney C.	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ross and Cromarty C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	5
Sutherland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zetland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	36
TOTAL	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	5	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	41
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	4	...	...	...	5	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	...
Aberdeen B.	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	9	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	9
Banff C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	...	...	1	...	...	9	...	3
Kincardine C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Moray and Nairn C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	4	...	...	...	1	...	...
TOTAL	1	...	...	...	...	4	...	2	...	...	...	13	...	...	1	11	4	...	...	1	20	...	17	2	...	...	10	...	12
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Arbroath B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dundee B.	1	20	...	...	...	10	...	2	...	...	...	33	3	...	...	10	...	...	...	1	6	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	5
Fife C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	8	...	...	...	...	9	...	7	1	...	...	...	...	...
Dunfermline B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	27	...	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcaldy B.	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	7	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	3
Perth and Kinross C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	7	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perth B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...

LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	Chicken-pox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice Infectious	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia Influenza	Pneumonia Primary	Pneumonia Other	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Pyrexia	Puerperal Septicæmia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis Respiratory	Tuberculosis Non-Respiratory	Typhus	Paratyphoid	Paratyphoid	Typhoid	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
SOUTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Berwick C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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Midlothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	7
Edinburgh B.	...	...	...	...	...	11	...	3	...	...	...	22	...	...	16	18	...	...	...	1	23	...	16	2	...	...	...	...	23
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Roxburgh C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	11	...	5	...	...	...	22	...	...	16	19	1	...	...	1	34	...	25	3	...	...	...	...	30
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ayr C.	1	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	8	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	8
Ayr B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kilmarnock B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	4	...	...	...	1	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	1
Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dunbarton C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	5	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	4
Clydebank B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1
Dumbarton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcudbright C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	...	12	...	...	...	60	...	2	...	...	...	55	1	...	1	35	...	...	...	...	10	...	10	1	...	...	...	...	17
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	2	...	...	...	...	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Glasgow B.	9	304	...	8	7	26	1	9	...	...	...	140	2	...	23	231	...	1	8	1	39	...	45	12	...	...	...	...	112
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	...	...	...	2	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Renfrew C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	7	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1
Greenock B.	...	52	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	1	4	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	5
Paisley B.	...	25	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	23	1	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	5	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Port-Glasgow B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Stirling C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Falkirk B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	6	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wigtown C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	12	393	...	8	7	98	1	16	...	...	...	278	4	...	32	329	14	1	8	2	114	...	86	18	...	...	...	...	158
GRAND TOTAL	14	417	...	8	7	124	1	28	...	...	...	388	8	...	52	383	21	1	8	6	208	...	153	27	...	...	10	...	250

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 8 RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 24, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other respiratory diseases	Deaths from: Malignant neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 24th February 1953***
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	416	130	351	35	27	343	16.5	11	14	...	27	6	7	...	14	8	5	21	25	48	29	24	193	54	36	47.3	0.42	10.5	8,758
2. Edinburgh	474,500	132	60	176	18	2	160	17.6	3	...	...	2	...	...	...	7	1	1	9	11	23	21	8	117	58	40	49.1	0.02	29.3	2,836
3. Aberdeen	183,800	61	30	54	19	...	35	9.9	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	8	7	1	22	60	37	48.0	0.01	36.3	770
4. Dundee	178,300	77	28	52	7	4	49	14.3	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	10	4	3	27	55	36	48.1	0.04	31.8	838
5. Paisley	94,400	35	19	20	6	4	18	9.9	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	1	2	2	2	11	57	38	49.1	0.52	12.2	543
6. Greenock	76,700	25	16	28	5	2	25	17.0	1	2	...	3	...	3	...	...	2	2	...	2	2	3	...	17	54	40	48.1	1.14	12.0	547
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	19	11	19	1	5	23	17.4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	5	2	14	...	...	...	...	...	767
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	14	11	13	3	2	12	12.7	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	338
9. Coatbridge	49,200	23	4	8	...	3	11	11.7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	2	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	465
10. Dunfermline	45,200	13	4	14	...	3	17	19.6	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	2	...	...	14	57	37	48.2	0.16	18.7	430
11. Clydebank	45,700	14	7	9	1	5	13	14.8	...	1	...	2	...	...	1	1	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	383
12. Ayr	43,200	16	12	14	5	3	12	14.5	...	2	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	457
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	14	4	6	2	2	6	7.4	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	...	...	4	57	33	48.1	0.46	19.6	359
14. Perth	40,300	20	4	9	1	1	9	11.6	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	2	1	6	57	33	48.2	0.17	27.2	200
15. Hamilton	41,100	18	5	7	1	1	7	8.9	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	569
16. Falkirk	37,100	5	6	14	5	...	9	12.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	2	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	316
17. Airdrie	31,400	12	...	5	1	1	5	8.3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	267
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
February 28, 1953	2,588,300	914	351	799	110	65	754	15.2	21	24	1	47	8	10	1	22	15	10	45	43	113	77	42	464	60†	33†	48.2‡	0.33‡	22.0‡	
February 21, 1953	2,588,300	925	675	869	124	63	808	16.3	23	15	3	36	5	9	1	27	34	34	40	65	102	87	32	487	58†	30†	45.5‡	0.33‡	12.3‡	
March 1, 1952	2,577,500‖	875	788	800	103	42	739	15.0	28	17	3	39	7	5	...	19	36	32	113		80	68	25	421	53†	22†	40.1‡	0.64‡	13.0‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes ‡ Weekly means.

*** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

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No. 9

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 7th March 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 7th March 1953, the births of 864 living children, and of 27 still-born children, 526 marriages and 721 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.4 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 10.6 and the death rate 14.5. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 30 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.0 less than in the previous week, and 1.4 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 3.5 more than in the previous week, but 0.2 below the average. The death-rate is 0.7 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 19.8 in Kilmarnock and 19.6 in Dunfermline to 7.6 in Hamilton and 5.3 in Kirkcaldy. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Glasgow 15.9 and in Edinburgh 15.6.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 14, and are 8 fewer than in the previous week. They include 2 from whooping cough, 1 from diphtheria, 1 from measles and 10 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 19, of which 16 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 4 more than in the previous week, and the latter 6 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 86, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.7 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 24, being 23 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 9 were aged 0-6 days but there were none aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 435, and are 29 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 27, and are 15 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 3rd March 1953 was 23,338. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 42.0° being 6.2° below that for the previous week, but 1.8° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.02 inch, and the mean sunshine 33.4 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 9 — Week ended **SATURDAY**, March 7th, 1953.

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerpera Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
Northern Area.—																													
Caithness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness C.	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
Inverness B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Orkney C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ross and Cromarty C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	4	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...
Sutherland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zetland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
Total	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	1	...	...	...	6	...	2	3	1	...	...	...	16
North-Eastern Area.—																													
Aberdeen C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	1	1	1	4	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...
Aberdeen B.	1	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	9	...	1	...	1	8	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	8
Banff C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2
Kincardine C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Moray and Nairn C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3
Total	1	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	11	6	2	1	2	23	...	4	6	...	...	...	...	13
Eastern Area.—																													
Angus C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	5	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...
Arbroath B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dundee B.	...	30	...	...	...	10	...	1	...	...	...	31	5	...	1	9	...	...	...	...	6	...	11	2	...	...	...	...	6
Fife C.	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	1	...	...	11	...	5	2	...	...	...	...	7
Dunfermline B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcaldy B.	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...
Perth and Kinross C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perth B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

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East Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midlothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Edinburgh B.	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	2	...	...	...	16	...	...	3	14	...	...	...	...	14	...	31	2	...	...	...	...	38
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Roxburgh C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	4
West Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	2	...	...	...	16	...	...	5	15	...	...	...	1	18	...	35	2	...	...	...	...	50
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ayr C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	1	...	...	...	7	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	6
Ayr B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
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Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dunbarton C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4	...	6	1	...	...	...	...	1
Clydebank B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Dumbarton B.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	5	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1
Dumfries B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcudbright C.	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	...	22	...	...	1	24	...	1	...	...	...	57	1	...	3	23	...	...	...	...	13	...	8	1	...	...	...	...	24
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Glasgow B.	9	289	...	4	6	36	...	2	...	...	...	180	1	...	25	197	...	...	1	5	38	...	49	6	...	...	...	...	102
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	4	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	11
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Renfrew C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	7	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	7
Greenock B.	...	49	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	49	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Paisley B.	...	13	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	41	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	6	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	2
Port-Glasgow B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	3
Stirling C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	10	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	4
Falkirk B.	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	29	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	3	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	2
Stirling B.	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wigtown C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	13	374	...	4	8	68	...	6	...	...	...	363	2	...	33	272	17	...	1	5	125	...	93	14	...	...	...	...	186
GRAND TOTAL	17	412	...	4	8	97	...	12	...	...	...	465	7	...	39	324	24	3	2	9	202	...	157	33	1	...	...	...	278

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 9

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 7, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 3, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other respiratory diseases	Deaths from: Malignant neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 3rd March 1953*•
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	402	225	334	17	14	331	15.9	15	5	...	12	3	2	2	8	9	7	9	31	51	35	12	191	52	31	40.8	0.08	15.3	7,803
2. Edinburgh	474,500	145	82	155	20	7	142	15.6	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	1	3	3	9	8	20	23	4	97	54	28	41.7	...	46.7	2,234
3. Aberdeen	183,800	52	43	59	12	3	50	14.2	...	1	...	3	...	2	...	1	...	...	2	1	6	11	1	35	57	30	44.6	0.01	47.4	673
4. Dundee	178,300	52	36	49	7	1	43	12.6	3	1	...	3	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	7	9	3	27	55	31	43.6	...	47.8	892
5. Paisley	94,400	31	24	23	6	1	18	9.9	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	5	2	...	2	10	54	34	42.7	0.02	22.1	524
6. Greenock	76,700	20	11	23	2	...	21	14.3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	2	...	2	5	2	...	10	52	31	42.5	0.05	25.7	532
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	26	12	13	1	2	14	10.6	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	2	5	2	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	762
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	13	19	4	...	1	5	5.3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	284
9. Coatbridge	49,200	18	3	9	...	3	12	12.7	3	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	3	1	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	387
10. Dunfermline	45,200	10	7	19	5	3	17	19.6	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	12	53	28	40.9	...	30.5	337
11. Clydebank	45,700	15	7	9	2	2	9	10.3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	2	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	382
12. Ayr	43,200	17	12	11	...	1	12	14.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	402
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	17	8	16	3	3	16	19.8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	5	1	1	6	51	27	39.0	0.04	14.7	340
14. Perth	40,300	17	10	12	3	1	10	12.9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	1	6	56	24	42.3	...	50.5	192
15. Hamilton	41,100	9	7	6	1	1	6	7.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	2	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	615
16. Falkirk	37,100	8	10	12	3	1	10	14.0	1	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	1	2	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	273
17. Airdrie	31,400	12	10	4	1	2	5	8.3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	275
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
March 7, 1953	2,588,300	864	526	758	83	46	721	14.5	27	9	...	24	3	6	4	14	19	16	28	58	109	91	27	435	57†	24†	42.0‡	0.02‡	33.4‡	
February 28, 1953	2,588,300	914	351	799	110	65	754	15.2	21	24	1	47	8	10	1	22	15	10	45	43	113	77	42	464	60†	33†	48.2‡	0.33‡	22.0‡	
March 8, 1952	2,577,500‖	884	545	807	84	53	776	15.7	30	15	6	37	3	7	1	31	21	17	111		100	87	26	469	57†	31†	46.2‡	1.41‡	10.2‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes ‡ Weekly means.

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No. 10

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 14th March 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 14th March 1953, the births of 891 living children, and of 27 still-born children, 718 marriages and 687 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.9 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 14.5 and the death rate 13.8. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 29 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.5 more than in the previous week, but 1.1 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 3.9 more than in the previous week, and 5.5 above the average. The death-rate is 0.7 less than in the previous week, and 0.7 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 20.1 in Coatbridge and 15.5 in Dundee to 8.9 in Hamilton and 8.3 in Airdrie. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dunfermline 15.0 and in Kirkcaldy 14.8. In Glasgow the rate was 14.5 and in Edinburgh 13.7.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 10, and are 4 fewer than in the previous week. All were from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 18, of which 15 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 1 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 78, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.6 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 34, being 10 more than in the previous week. Of these, 18 were aged 0-6 days and 5 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 440, and are 5 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 24, and are 3 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 10th March 1953 was 19,997. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 44.6° being 2.6° above that for the previous week, and 5.0° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.00 inch, and the mean sunshine 13.2 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 10 — **Week ended SATURDAY, March 14th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerpera Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Orkney C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Ross and Cromarty C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	6	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sutherland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zetland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	36
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	7	...	...	...	...	11	...	7	1	...	...	...	...	36
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Aberdeen C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	4	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Aberdeen B.	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	2	1	...	...	6	...	...	...	7	...	1	...	...	8	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	12
Banff C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	1	...	...	1	...	5
Kincardine C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Arbroath B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dundee B.	...	46	...	...	...	14	...	2	...	...	...	48	1	...	1	12	...	...	...	...	6	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	11
Fife C.	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	6	...	11	2	...	...	...	...	9
Dunfermline B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	43	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	1
Kirkcaldy B.	...	4	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	1	3	1	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perth and Kinross C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perth B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Fever	Chicken	Cholera	Continued	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice Infectiosa	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia Influenza	Pneumonia Primary	Pneumonia otherwise	Poliomyelitis Acuta	Puerperal	Puerperal	Scarlet	Smallpox	Tuberculosis Respiratory	Tuberculosis Non-Respiratory	Typhoid	Para-typhoid	Para-typhoid	Typhus	Whooping
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
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Edinburgh B.	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	1	...	...	...	8	...	...	9	10	...	...	1	...	9	...	20	2	...	...	...	...	24
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Roxburgh C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
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Argyll C.	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ayr C.	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	12	...	...	...	...	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	7
Ayr B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	4	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kilmarnock B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dunbarton C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	4	...	...	...	...	7	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	4
Clydebank B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dumbarton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Dumfries B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcudbright C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	...	12	...	...	...	23	...	2	...	...	...	51	2	...	3	28	...	1	3	1	10	...	7	6	...	...	...	...	19
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Glasgow B.	11	234	...	8	6	52	...	3	...	...	...	120	2	...	18	179	...	1	4	2	59	...	49	5	...	...	...	...	118
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	18
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Renfrew C.	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	1	...	...	...	13	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	2
Greenock B.	...	42	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	54	...	...	...	3	4	...	1	...	3	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	12
Paisley B.	...	23	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	29	...	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	11	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	3
Port-Glasgow B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	15	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...
Falkirk B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
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Wigtown C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	11	312	...	8	6	81	...	9	...	...	...	273	5	...	28	263	17	2	8	3	154	...	92	14	...	...	...	...	192
GRAND TOTAL	11	362	...	8	7	111	...	21	1	...	...	381	6	...	42	308	22	3	9	3	233	...	150	27	...	...	1	...	298

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 10

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 14, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 10, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other respiratory diseases	Deaths from: Malignant neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending March 10th 1953*,*
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	388	309	325	36	13	302	14.5	10	9	1	15	2	2	1	7	13	11	15	27	51	20	10	187	54	32	44.0	0.00	6.9	6,189
2. Edinburgh	474,500	133	146	141	19	3	125	13.7	5	3	...	5	1	...	...	2	...	...	4	5	26	14	3	82	53	34	45.1	...	17.4	1,741
3. Aberdeen	183,800	54	49	48	6	2	44	12.5	3	3	...	3	...	1	...	...	1	1	1	1	9	7	1	32	56	32	45.1	0.00	21.4	647
4. Dundee	178,300	61	52	58	6	1	53	15.5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	4	6	3	3	38	59	33	44.9	...	19.0	907
5. Paisley	94,400	32	23	22	6	2	18	9.9	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	...	3	...	...	10	54	32	45.3	...	4.5	466
6. Greenock	76,700	25	21	19	2	3	20	13.6	2	2	...	2	1	1	...	...	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	12	55	36	45.8	...	9.4	542
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	39	20	15	4	6	17	12.8	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	2	...	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	652
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	25	17	15	2	1	14	14.8	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	2	1	9	...	...	...	...	...	270
9. Coatbridge	49,200	20	7	14	...	5	19	20.1	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	4	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	330
10. Dunfermline	45,200	10	10	14	4	3	13	15.0	1	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	2	2	7	54	32	43.6	0.00	13.4	244
11. Clydebank	45,700	24	7	8	1	5	12	13.7	1	...	2	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	2	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	371
12. Ayr	43,200	10	10	9	3	2	8	9.7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	1	7	...	...	...	...	...	344
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	15	5	12	2	1	11	13.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	2	7	58	31	44.1	0.00	16.3	296
14. Perth	40,300	8	13	9	1	1	9	11.6	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	...	...	7	55	29	43.8	...	10.7	159
15. Hamilton	41,100	17	9	5	1	3	7	8.9	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	2	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	580
16. Falkirk	37,100	20	13	13	3	...	10	14.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	287
17. Airdrie	31,400	10	7	4	...	1	5	8.3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	195
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
March 14, 1953	2,588,300	891	718	731	96	52	687	13.8	27	18	5	34	5	5	1	10	18	15	31	47	117	58	24	440	59†	29†	44.6‡	0.00‡	13.2‡	
March 7, 1953	2,588,300	864	526	758	83	46	721	14.5	27	9	...	24	3	6	4	14	19	16	28	58	109	91	27	435	57†	24†	42.0‡	0.02‡	33.4‡	
March 15, 1952	2,577,500‖	957	575	748	92	56	712	14.4	25	17	2	29	5	6	...	25	30	27	100		99	72	21	435	54†	25†	41.9‡	0.02‡	21.9‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes ‡ Weekly means.

, These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

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No. 11

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 21st March 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 21st March 1953, the births of 913 living children, and of 18 still-born children, 682 marriages and 644 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.4 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 13.7 and the death rate 13.0. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 19 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.5 more than in the previous week, but 0.8 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.8 less than in the previous week, but 3.3 above the average. The death-rate is 0.8 less than in the previous week, and 1.1 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 18.2 in Airdrie and 17.3 in Kilmarnock to 6.8 in Clydebank and 6.3 in Kirkcaldy and Hamilton. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dunfermline 16.1 and in Perth 14.2. In Glasgow the rate was 13.7 and in Edinburgh 13.2.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 15, and are 5 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from diphtheria and 14 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 17, of which 15 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 fewer than in the previous week, but the latter is the same.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 60, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.2 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.4 less than in the previous week, and 0.3 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 20, being 14 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 12 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 414, and are 26 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 32, and are 8 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 17th March 1953 was 19,084. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 40.1° being 4.5° below that for the previous week, and 0.9° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.00 inch, and the mean sunshine 32.6 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 11 — Week ended **SATURDAY, March 21st, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	Chickenpox*	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles*	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable*	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerpera Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Orkney C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ross and Cromarty C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sutherland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Zetland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
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Aberdeen C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3
Aberdeen B.	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	1	...	...	4	...	...	...	8	...	...	1	...	1	...	5	3	...	...	...	...	10
Banff C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kincardine C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Moray and Nairn C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	3	...	5	1	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	1	...	...	4	...	...	1	18	4	...	1	...	10	...	12	4	...	...	...	...	13
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Arbroath B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dundee B.	...	21	...	...	...	20	...	2	...	...	...	42	1	...	1	15	...	...	...	1	1	...	6	3	...	...	...	...	22
Fife C.	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	16	...	...	...	...	10	...	12	3	1	...	...	...	11
Dunfermline B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcaldy B.	...	4	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	4	2	...	...	...	...	5
Perth and Kinross C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	16	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Perth B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...

LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Fever	Chicken	Cholera	Continu	Diphthe	Dysente	Encephl Letha	Erys-pe	Jaundic Infec	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Ophtha Neon	Plague	Pneumoni Influenz	Pneumoni Primary	Pneumo otherwise	Poliomy Acute	Puerpe	Puerperal	Scarlet	Smallpo	Tuberc Resp	Tuberculo Non-Re	Typhoi	Para-ty	Para-ty	Typhus	Whoopi
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30
SOUTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Berwick C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
East Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Midlothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	4
Edinburgh B.	...	...	...	...	1	12	...	4	...	...	...	18	...	...	2	11	...	...	...	...	8	...	16	...	...	...	...	...	24
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Roxburgh C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Lothian C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
TOTAL	1	...	...	...	1	13	...	4	...	...	...	18	...	...	2	13	1	...	...	...	12	...	24	2	...	...	...	...	32
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Argyll C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ayr C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	...	...	8	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	2
Ayr B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kilmarnock B.	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dunbarton C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	3	...	...	...	...	11	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	13
Clydebank B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	2	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	15
Dumbarton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Dumfries B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Kirkcudbright C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	...	36	...	...	1	10	...	...	...	...	...	27	2	...	3	32	...	...	...	2	10	...	14	7	...	...	...	...	18
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	7
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2
Glasgow B.	10	218	...	1	7	42	...	5	...	...	...	207	1	...	7	144	...	1	2	...	36	...	65	9	...	...	...	...	143
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	6	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	4
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	4
Renfrew C.	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	8	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	9
Greenock B.	1	48	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	53	...	...	1	1	3	...	...	...	1	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	7
Paisley B.	1	18	...	...	...	5	...	1	...	...	...	42	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	4	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	1
Port-Glasgow B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	14	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	5
Falkirk B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	20	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wigtown C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
TOTAL	14	321	...	1	8	60	...	9	...	...	...	351	3	...	16	235	11	2	2	4	114	...	122	18	...	...	...	...	236
GRAND TOTAL	15	346	...	1	10	102	...	16	1	...	...	434	4	...	22	308	17	2	3	5	178	...	188	39	1	...	...	...	320

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 11

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 21, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 17, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	7-27 days	Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Congenital Malformations	Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Tuberculosis: All Forms	Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Pneumonia	Other respiratory diseases	Malignant neoplasms	Coronary thrombosis	Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Absolute Lowest	Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending March 17th 1953**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	422	242	308	37	15	286	13.7	7	7	...	12	...	...	1	6	10	10	15	17	43	33	13	169	56	27	40.3	...	28.6	5,341
2. Edinburgh	474,500	114	134	133	14	1	120	13.2	2	1	...	1	1	...	...	4	...	...	5	7	20	9	5	85	47	29	38.4	...	40.3	1,649
3. Aberdeen	183,800	61	65	55	13	...	42	11.9	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	11	7	5	28	53	26	38.9	0.00	35.5	608
4. Dundee	178,300	61	53	45	4	1	42	12.3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	1	4	6	7	5	31	50	30	39.0	...	20.7	1,012
5. Paisley	94,400	33	24	23	6	6	23	12.7	1	2	...	3	2	...	...	...	2	1	1	...	3	3	...	12	53	30	41.4	...	19.0	415
6. Greenock	76,700	27	27	22	3	...	19	12.9	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	1	2	1	...	16	53	32	42.0	0.00	31.6	540
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	28	16	16	5	5	16	12.1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	11	...	...	...	...	...	684
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	14	22	5	...	1	6	6.3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	283
9. Coatbridge	49,200	23	7	6	...	6	12	12.7	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	3	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	271
10. Dunfermline	45,200	18	14	18	6	2	14	16.1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	2	2	10	51	24	39.6	...	33.8	247
11. Clydebank	45,700	20	10	6	1	1	6	6.8	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	303
12. Ayr	43,200	17	12	11	3	...	8	9.7	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	361
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	15	15	13	2	3	14	17.3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	2	...	1	3	1	...	10	59	26	41.4	...	48.3	299
14. Perth	40,300	14	14	13	3	1	11	14.2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	2	...	9	52	25	40.0	...	35.9	177
15. Hamilton	41,100	21	10	5	2	2	5	6.3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	559
16. Falkirk	37,100	13	14	12	3	...	9	12.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	2	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	272
17. Airdrie	31,400	12	3	7	...	4	11	18.2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	2	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	218
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
March 21, 1953	2,588,300	913	682	698	102	48	644	13.0	18	12	1	20	3	2	2	15	17	15	25	35	101	77	32	414	59†	24†	40.1‡	0.00‡	32.6‡	
March 14, 1953	2,588,300	891	718	731	96	52	687	13.8	27	18	5	34	5	5	1	10	18	15	31	47	117	58	24	440	59†	29†	44.6‡	0.00‡	13.2‡	
March 22, 1952	2,577,500‖	950	819	740	106	60	694	14.1	20	15	6	28	5	4	3	20	28	24	84		84	69	26	407	55†	29†	43.9‡	0.59‡	19.7‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 12

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 28th March 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 28th March 1953, the births of 990 living children, and of 26 still-born children, 1,139 marriages and 651 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.9 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 22.9 and the death rate 13.1. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 26 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.5 more than in the previous week, and 0.9 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 9.2 more than in the previous week, and 7.7 above the average. The death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but 0.4 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 19.0 in Greenock and Hamilton and 14.9 in Airdrie to 8.5 in Ayr and 8.4 in Falkirk. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Edinburgh 14.1 and in Dundee and Kirkcaldy 13.7. In Glasgow the rate was 13.0.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 8, and are 7 fewer than in the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal infections and 7 from influenza. In addition there was 1 death from dysentery.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 18, of which 16 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 more than in the previous week, and the latter 1 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 61, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.2 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, and 0.2 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 30, being 10 more than in the previous week. Of these, 11 were aged 0-6 days and 4 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 421, and are 7 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 29, and are 3 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 24th March 1953 was 18,375. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 45.0° being 4.9° above that for the previous week, and 4.2° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.37 inch, and the mean sunshine 32.0 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 12 — **Week ended SATURDAY, March 28th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerpera Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Orkney C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ross and Cromarty C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sutherland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Zetland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3
TOTAL	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	7	...	5	1	...	...	...	...	3
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	4	...	...	...	...	3
Aberdeen B.	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	10	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	4
Banff C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kincardine C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Moray and Nairn C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	14	...	14	5	...	...	...	...	7
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	3
Arbroath B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...
Dundee B.	2	29	...	...	...	21	...	1	...	...	...	34	4	...	1	18	...	...	...	...	3	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	17
Fife C.	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	15	...	...	...	...	10	...	3	2	...	...	...	...	12
Dunfermline B.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcaldy B.	1	8	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	6	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2
Perth and Kinross C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Perth B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...

LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro Feve	Chicke	Cholera	Conjun	Diphth	Dysent	Encepha Leth	Erysip	Jaundic Infec	Leprosy	Malaria	Measle	Ophtha Neon	Plague	Pneumon Influen	Pneumon Primar	Pneumo otherwise	Poliom Acut	Puerpe	Puerperal	Scarlet	Smallp	Tuberc Resp	Tuberculo Non-R	Typhoi	Para-ty	Para-ty	Typhus	Whoopi
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30
SOUTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Berwick C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
East Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Midlothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	8	1	...	...	...	...	2
Edinburgh B.	...	...	...	...	...	36	...	1	...	...	...	9	...	...	7	7	...	...	...	...	13	...	23	1	...	...	...	...	23
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2
Roxburgh C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
West Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	14	1	...	...	...	...	1
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	37	...	1	...	...	...	9	...	...	7	11	1	...	1	...	23	...	48	5	...	...	...	...	28
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ayr C.	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	1	...	...	...	7	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	13
Ayr B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kilmarnock B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Dunbarton C.	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	10	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	13
Clydebank B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Dumbarton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	7	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcudbright C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	2	11	...	...	3	11	...	1	...	...	...	65	1	...	3	35	...	...	1	...	8	...	5	4	...	...	...	...	20
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	1
Glasgow B.	13	204	...	6	9	39	...	6	...	...	...	261	1	...	24	153	...	1	11	3	42	...	65	6	...	...	...	...	214
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	4	...	...	...	3	...	7	2	...	...	...	...	4
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	1
Renfrew C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	6	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	9
Greenock B.	...	26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	42	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	6	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	14
Paisley B.	...	13	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	5	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	5
Port-Glasgow B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2
Falkirk B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wigtown C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	19	254	...	6	13	54	...	15	...	...	1	418	2	...	29	248	13	1	12	3	120	...	115	14	...	...	...	...	299
GRAND TOTAL	25	291	...	6	13	120	...	22	...	...	1	479	6	...	39	311	15	1	13	3	207	...	201	28	...	...	...	...	372

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 12

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 28, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 24, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other respiratory diseases	Deaths from: Malignant neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending March 24th 1953*.*
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	439	437	291	35	15	271	13.0	11	4	4	16	2	2	3	4	12	11	10	16	37	30	14	170	59	29	44.1	0.39	18.6	5,014
2. Edinburgh	474,500	153	203	140	17	5	128	14.1	4	4	...	4	2	...	...	...	1	1	6	5	21	15	4	86	64	31	46.6	0.11	44.8	1,489
3. Aberdeen	183,800	52	110	53	15	3	41	11.6	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	3	4	9	8	1	25	68	25	45.4	0.02	43.7	617
4. Dundee	178,300	67	83	49	4	2	47	13.7	3	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	1	1	1	3	5	7	3	29	64	32	46.6	0.12	39.2	997
5. Paisley	94,400	45	32	27	5	2	24	13.3	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	1	1	1	2	...	4	6	2	15	60	33	45.0	0.54	20.9	445
6. Greenock	76,700	36	46	25	2	5	28	19.0	1	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	1	1	1	...	7	2	1	17	60	31	44.3	0.99	14.0	481
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	29	38	15	3	3	15	11.3	1 2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	2	1	...	11	...	...	...	...	...	684
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	18	23	13	5	5	13	13.7	1	2	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	225
9. Coatbridge	49,200	26	22	11	2	2	11	11.7	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	3	...	1	8	...	...	...	...	...	275
10. Dunfermline	45,200	16	22	8	1	1	8	9.2	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	4	60	29	45.6	0.35	36.3	275
11. Clydebank	45,700	14	7	4	1	6	9	10.3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	3	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	273
12. Ayr	43,200	17	19	13	7	1	7	8.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	358
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	16	25	9	1	2	10	12.4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	8	61	25	42.7	0.49	25.9	263
14. Perth	40,300	10	12	9	2	2	9	11.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	1	8	62	29	44.6	0.34	44.6	157
15. Hamilton	41,100	24	25	14	...	1	15	19.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	3	5	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	553
16. Falkirk	37,100	16	17	9	3	...	6	8.4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	281
17. Airdrie	31,400	12	18	4	...	5	9	14.9	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	6	...	...	...	...	...	202
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
March 28, 1953	2,588,300	990	1139	694	103	60	651	13.1	26	11	4	30	5	5	3	8	18	16	28	33	102	77	29	421	68†	25†	45.0‡	0.37‡	32.0‡	
March 21, 1953	2,588,300	913	682	698	102	48	644	13.0	18	12	1	20	3	2	2	15	17	15	25	35	101	77	32	414	59†	24†	40.1‡	0.00‡	32.6‡	
March 29, 1952	2,577,500‖	863	1307	696	92	57	661	13.4	29	19	...	33	8	8	...	18	28	25	67		89	68	27	425	55†	28†	39.4‡	0.14‡	36.7‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes ‡ Weekly means.

. These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December, 1951. § Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 13

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 4th April 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 4th April 1953, the births of 925 living children, and of 21 still-born children, 1,496 marriages and 599 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.6 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 30.1 and the death rate 12.1. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 22 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.3 less than in the previous week, and 1.9 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 7.2 more than in the previous week, and 3.7 above the average. The death-rate is 1.0 less than in the previous week, and 1.0 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 16.1 in Dunfermline and 14.9 in Kilmarnock to 6.0 in Ayr and 5.7 in Clydebank. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Falkirk 14.0 and in Glasgow 13.2. In Edinburgh the rate was 12.9.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 7, and are 1 fewer than in the previous week. All were from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 15, all of which were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 3 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 1 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 65, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.3 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 26, being 4 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 9 were aged 0-6 days and 4 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 372, and are 49 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 17, and are 12 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 31st March 1953 was 18,114. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 41.1° being 3.9° below that for the previous week, and 1.2° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.72 inch, and the mean sunshine 38.1 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 13 — **Week ended SATURDAY, April 4th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerpera Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	...	...	...	6	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Orkney C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ross and Cromarty C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	6	4	...	...	...	...	1
Sutherland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zetland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	...	...	...	11	...	7	5	...	...	...	...	2
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	...	...	1	2	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...
Aberdeen B.	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	6	...	8	3	...	...	...	...	...
Banff C.	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kincardine C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Moray and Nairn C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	2	...	...	...	...	7	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	3	...	...	1	9	...	14	5	...	...	...	...	...
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Arbroath B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dundee B.	1	20	...	...	...	15	...	2	...	...	...	40	1	...	1	13	...	...	...	...	10	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	14
Fife C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	1	...	...	...	12	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	9
Dunfermline B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcaldy B.	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perth and Kinross C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perth B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	1	22	...	...	...	16	...	5	...	...	...	65	1	...	1	28	2	...	...	...	32	...	8	1	...	...	...	...	23

LARGE BOROUGHS	Ce	Ch	Cl	Co	Di	Dy	En	Er	Ja	Le	Ma	Me	Op	Pl	Pneu In	Pneu Pr	Pu other	Po	Pu	Puer	Sc	Sm	Tu	Tub Ne	Ty	Pe	Ra	Ty	Wh
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30
SOUTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Berwick C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
East Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Midlothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	3
Edinburgh B.	2	...	...	...	...	18	...	1	...	...	1	23	...	...	1	6	...	...	...	...	15	...	9	5	...	...	...	...	23
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Roxburgh C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Lothian C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1
TOTAL	3	...	...	...	...	19	...	1	...	...	1	23	...	...	2	6	1	...	...	1	26	...	19	7	...	...	...	...	36
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ayr C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	5	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	4
Ayr B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kilmarnock B.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dunbarton C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Clydebank B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Dumbarton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	6
Dumfries B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcudbright C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	1	22	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	53	1	...	1	27	...	...	...	...	2	...	11	3	...	...	...	...	26
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...
Glasgow B.	6	134	...	2	6	36	...	...	...	...	...	205	7	...	13	120	...	...	1	8	24	...	37	4	1	...	...	...	137
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	3
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	5	...	...	...	4	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	3
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	4
Renfrew C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	5	...	...	...	...	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	6
Greenock B.	...	28	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	19	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	7
Paisley B.	...	19	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	22	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	4	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	1
Port-Glasgow B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	7	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Falkirk B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wigtown C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	8	203	...	2	6	47	...	3	...	...	...	313	8	...	21	204	6	...	1	8	68	...	87	11	1	...	...	...	212
GRAND TOTAL	14	225	...	2	6	89	...	13	1	...	1	401	9	...	24	253	13	...	1	10	146	...	135	29	1	...	...	...	273

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 13

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED APRIL 4, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 31, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other respiratory diseases	Deaths from: Malignant neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending March 31st 1953*
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	393	608	296	30	9	275	13.2	9	4	...	11	1	4	1	2	11	11	11	25	52	29	6	163	49	30	41.1	0.67	28.3	4,832
2. Edinburgh	474,500	153	287	127	16	6	117	12.9	2	2	2	4	1	...	...	1	1	1	4	6	18	11	5	75	48	28	40.4	0.44	45.8	1,377
3. Aberdeen	183,800	63	129	49	10	1	40	11.3	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	9	9	1	25	50	27	40.1	0.55	47.2	641
4. Dundee	178,300	62	99	30	2	3	31	9.1	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	9	3	1	20	50	29	41.4	0.42	41.9	961
5. Paisley	94,400	31	64	23	4	3	22	12.1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	2	2	15	50	32	42.3	0.71	36.9	439
6. Greenock	76,700	24	31	18	1	1	18	12.2	2	1	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	4	3	...	7	48	32	41.0	1.95	28.7	491
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	29	33	11	1	2	12	9.1	5	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	712
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	14	35	8	2	4	10	10.6	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	2	...	2	1	1	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	244
9. Coatbridge	49,200	17	13	9	...	2	11	11.7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	7	...	...	...	...	...	268
10. Dunfermline	45,200	21	34	15	3	2	14	16.1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	10	50	30	41.0	0.52	37.1	243
11. Clydebank	45,700	35	16	4	...	1	5	5.7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	273
12. Ayr	43,200	10	34	6	2	1	5	6.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	328
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	13	17	13	4	3	12	14.9	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	3	3	...	8	49	32	41.4	0.46	37.1	246
14. Perth	40,300	14	18	9	3	1	7	9.1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	5	50	26	40.8	0.80	40.3	197
15. Hamilton	41,100	22	27	2	1	4	5	6.3	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	552
16. Falkirk	37,100	16	33	12	2	...	10	14.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	313
17. Airdrie	31,400	8	18	4	...	1	5	8.3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	178
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
April 4, 1953	2,588,300	925	1496	636	81	44	599	12.1	21	9	4	26	2	6	1	7	15	15	25	40	101	71	17	372	50†	26†	41.1‡	0.72‡	38.1‡	
March 28, 1953	2,588,300	990	1139	694	103	60	651	13.1	26	11	4	30	5	5	3	8	18	16	28	33	102	77	29	421	68†	25†	45.0‡	0.37‡	32.0‡	
April 5, 1952	2,577,500	995	1634	671	87	54	638	12.9	25	16	13	44	5	7	7	6	25	20	61		104	74	33	355	57†	28†	41.5‡	0.45‡	28.8‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes ‡ Weekly means.

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No. 14

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 11th April 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 11th April 1953, the births of 1,050 living children, and of 24 still-born children, 1,049 marriages and 681 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 21.2 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 21.1 and the death rate 13.7. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 22 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 2.6 more than in the previous week, and 1.7 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 9.0 less than in the previous week, and 2.3 below the average. The death-rate is 1.6 more than in the previous week, and 1.4 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 18.6 in Kilmarnock and 18.2 in Paisley to 5.3 in Coatbridge and 3.5 in Dunfermline Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dundee17.5 and in Falkirk 16.9. In Glasgow the rate was 14.8 and in Edinburgh 13.6.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 5, and are 2 fewer than in the previous week. They include 2 from meningococcal infections, 1 from measles, and 2 fom influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 30, of which 26 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 15 more than in the previous week, and the latter 11 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 57, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.1 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 30, being 4 more than in the previous week. Of these, 14 were aged 0-6 days and 4 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 401, and are 29 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 22, and are 5 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 7th April 1953 was 14,728. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 40.8° being 0.3° below that for the previous week, and 2.3° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.57 inch, and the mean sunshine 20.0 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 14 — **Week ended SATURDAY, April 11th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerpera Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Orkney C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ross and Cromarty C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2
Sutherland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zetland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	5	2	...	...	...	5	...	3	2	...	...	...	...	18
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Aberdeen B.	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	5	...	3	4	...	...	...	...	5
Banff C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Kincardine C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Moray and Nairn C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	2	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	14	1	...	...	...	12	...	4	6	...	...	...	...	5
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Arbroath B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dundee B.	...	6	...	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	2	24	7	...	...	12	...	...	...	...	1	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	11
Fife C.	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	1	22	...	8	3	...	...	...	...	2
Dunfermline B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcaldy B.	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	5	2	...	...	...	...	12
Perth and Kinross C.	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perth B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	3	1	...	...	1	...	...

LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Fever	Chicken-pox	Cholera	Cont. Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice Infectious	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Ophthalmic Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia Influenza	Pneumonia Primary	Pneumonia other	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis Respiratory	Tuberculosis Non-Respiratory	Typhoid	Paratyphoid	Enteric Fever	Typhus	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
SOUTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Berwick C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
East Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	4
Midlothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Edinburgh B.	1	...	...	...	...	15	...	...	...	...	...	41	...	...	...	7	...	...	2	...	10	...	10	2	...	...	...	...	49
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Roxburgh C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	1	...	...	...	...	15	...	...	...	...	...	41	...	...	...	10	...	...	2	...	21	...	18	4	...	...	...	...	61
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ayr C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	2	...	...	...	4	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	7
Ayr B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Kilmarnock B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1
Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dunbarton C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	...	...	...	...	5	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	6
Clydebank B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	6
Dumbarton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3
Dumfries B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcudbright C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	...	2	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	12	2	...	1	32	...	...	...	1	10	...	8	1	...	...	1	...	11
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	5
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3
Glasgow B.	14	69	...	1	8	40	...	11	...	...	1	105	2	...	3	125	...	...	5	3	40	...	47	6	...	...	...	...	112
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	8	...	...	...	1	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Renfrew C.	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	12	1	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	9
Greenock B.	...	24	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	...	...	...	2	3	...	...	...	2	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	12
Paisley B.	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	16	...	...	...	...	7	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...
Port-Glasgow B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	10	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	2
Falkirk B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling B.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wigtown C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	15	100	...	1	8	50	...	16	...	...	1	199	4	...	8	224	17	...	6	4	104	...	101	13	...	...	1	...	179
GRAND TOTAL	17	112	...	1	9	81	...	26	1	...	3	280	11	...	9	282	21	...	9	7	171	...	155	31	...	...	2	...	288

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 14

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED APRIL 11, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED APRIL 7, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other respiratory diseases	Deaths from: Malignant neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 7th April 1953**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	454	557	324	26	11	309	14.8	15	6	2	15	...	3	3	5	17	16	10	17	53	43	9	166	52	27	40.2	0.68	14.1	3,568
2. Edinburgh	474,500	162	170	137	18	5	124	13.6	3	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	2	2	5	4	18	18	6	73	51	29	39.9	0.43	18.7	1,158
3. Aberdeen	183,800	83	80	51	13	2	40	11.3	1	2	...	3	2	1	...	...	...	...	3	1	6	9	...	32	52	28	39.5	0.24	28.8	655
4. Dundee	178,300	77	59	62	6	4	60	17.5	1	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	3	3	5	1	9	10	2	42	50	32	40.3	0.61	23.2	741
5. Paisley	94,400	41	19	31	2	4	33	18.2	...	1	1	3	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	2	8	2	2	20	53	31	42.0	0.63	17.5	439
6. Greenock	76,700	39	14	16	...	1	17	11.6	2	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	2	...	6	52	32	42.2	0.77	17.4	371
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	22	22	11	3	6	14	10.6	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	5	1	1	9	...	...	...	...	...	553
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	19	9	14	3	...	11	11.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	...	2	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	193
9. Coatbridge	49,200	28	8	8	3	...	5	5.3	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	244
10. Dunfermline	45,200	10	13	3	1	1	3	3.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	52	27	40.9	0.51	17.7	193
11. Clydebank	45,700	29	13	6	1	5	10	11.4	...	3	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	224
12. Ayr	43,200	15	18	11	5	4	10	12.1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	1	...	1	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	301
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	20	11	12	1	4	15	18.6	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	5	2	1	9	52	29	41.6	0.32	27.9	197
14. Perth	40,300	10	18	10	3	...	7	9.1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	5	51	25	40.4	0.97	14.8	155
15. Hamilton	41,100	15	18	5	...	2	7	8.9	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	401
16. Falkirk	37,100	9	10	13	3	2	12	16.9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	249
17. Airdrie	31,400	17	10	4	2	2	4	6.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	126
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
April 11, 1953	2,588,300	1050	1049	718	90	53	681	13.7	24	14	4	30	5	6	3	5	30	26	28	29	114	93	22	401	53†	25†	40.8‡	0.57‡	20.0‡	
April 4, 1953	2,588,300	925	1496	636	81	44	599	12.1	21	9	4	26	2	6	1	7	15	15	25	40	101	71	17	372	50†	26†	41.1‡	0.72‡	38.1‡	
April 12, 1952	2,577,500‖	806	506	682	83	46	645	13.1	20	12	1	34	7	3	6	7	23	19	68		117	73	21	385	58†	33†	45.1‡	0.27‡	46.2‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

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No. 15

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 18th April 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 18th April 1953, the births of 923 living children, and of 20 still-born children, 277 marriages and 623 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.6 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 5.6 and the death rate 12.6. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 21 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 2.6 less than in the previous week, but the same as the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 15.5 less than in the previous week, and 1.6 below the average. The death-rate is 1.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 16.9 in Ayr and 14.2 in Perth to 6.1 in Greenock and 4.2 Coatbridge. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dundee 14.0 and in Glasgow and Kilmarnock 13.6. In Edinburgh the rate was 12.9.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2, and are 3 fewer than in the previous week. They include 1 from whooping cough and 1 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 16, of which 14 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 14 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 12 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 61, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.2 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 34, being 4 more than in the previous week. Of these, 21 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 376, and are 25 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 23, and are 1 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 14th April 1953 was 16,092. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 43.4° being 2.6° above that for the previous week, but 0.6° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.36 inch, and the mean sunshine 29.1 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 15 — **Week ended SATURDAY, April 18th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerpera Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Orkney C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ross and Cromarty C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	4
Sutherland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zetland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	7	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	6
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	9	...	...	...	4	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	5
Aberdeen B.	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	1	7	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	9
Banff C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kincardine C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Moray and Nairn C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	2
TOTAL	2	...	...	...	...	4	...	3	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	13	9	...	...	1	11	...	3	3	...	...	...	...	16
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Arbroath B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dundee B.	1	12	...	...	...	10	...	1	...	...	...	25	2	...	...	18	...	...	4	7	2	...	8	1	...	...	...	...	...
Fife C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	12	...	...	...	...	4	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	16
Dunfermline B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcaldy B.	...	7	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	29	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	14
Perth and Kinross C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perth B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Fe	Chick	Chol	Cont	Dipht	Dyse	Ence-Le	Erys	Jaun-In	Lepr	Mala	Mea	Ophth-Ne	Plag	Pneum-Influ	Pneum-Prim	Pneu-otherw	Polio-Ac	Puer	Puerpe	Scarl	Smal	Tuber-Re	Tuberc-Non	Typh	Para	Jara	Typh	Whoo
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30
SOUTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Berwick C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
East Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Midlothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	10
Edinburgh B.	...	...	...	...	...	16	...	2	...	...	...	45	...	...	3	4	...	...	...	...	7	...	21	2	...	...	...	...	19
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Roxburgh C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
West Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	16	...	2	...	...	...	45	...	...	4	6	...	...	...	...	14	...	34	3	...	1	...	...	30
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ayr C.	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	1	...	...	...	6	...	6	1	...	...	...	...	6
Ayr B.	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kilmarnock B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dunbarton C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	6	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3
Clydebank B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Dumbarton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Dumfries B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcudbright C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	...	5	...	...	1	7	...	3	...	...	...	25	...	...	1	34	...	...	...	...	14	...	7	2	...	...	...	...	14
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Glasgow B.	7	253	...	...	7	43	...	8	...	...	1	352	2	...	7	109	...	...	3	6	33	...	58	3	...	...	...	...	221
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	...	...	...	2	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	10
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Renfrew C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3
Greenock B.	...	46	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	1	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	15
Paisley B.	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	16	...	...	...	4	3	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2
Port-Glasgow B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	1	1	11	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	2
Falkirk B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling B.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wigtown C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	8	306	...	...	8	55	...	14	...	...	1	441	2	...	12	178	12	1	4	7	100	...	92	9	...	...	...	...	291
GRAND TOTAL	11	325	...	...	8	88	...	22	...	...	2	550	4	...	18	232	23	1	8	15	151	...	147	16	...	1	...	...	374

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 15

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED APRIL 18, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED APRIL 14, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other respiratory diseases	Deaths from: Malignant neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 14th April 1953**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	426	165	293	27	18	284	13.6	13	13	2	21	3	2	...	2	6	5	11	18	37	32	11	171	54	29	43.6	0.34	25.7	4,489
2. Edinburgh	474,500	161	41	123	10	4	117	12.9	2	3	...	4	1	...	1	...	4	4	3	6	18	18	3	74	53	31	42.5	0.23	24.7	1,289
3. Aberdeen	183,800	57	15	44	10	1	35	9.9	2	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	1	4	1	6	2	3	16	54	30	41.4	0.58	28.0	647
4. Dundee	178,300	43	10	44	3	7	48	14.0	...	4	...	4	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	3	9	6	1	25	55	29	43.1	0.33	30.2	589
5. Paisley	94,400	32	7	22	5	2	19	10.5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	5	2	...	12	55	32	45.4	0.24	24.9	409
6. Greenock	76,700	37	...	13	4	...	9	6.1	1	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	6	54	35	45.1	0.61	33.0	363
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	28	2	14	2	5	17	12.8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	3	3	1	12	...	...	...	...	...	555
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	15	1	11	3	3	11	11.6	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	1	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	277
9. Coatbridge	49,200	31	7	4	1	1	4	4.2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	267
10. Dunfermline	45,200	8	3	7	2	2	7	8.1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	4	55	28	43.1	0.25	28.7	276
11. Clydebank	45,700	10	5	12	2	1	11	12.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	280
12. Ayr	43,200	12	3	11	2	5	14	16.9	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	2	1	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	267
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	7	4	11	1	1	11	13.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	1	3	...	3	56	30	44.1	0.45	31.9	230
14. Perth	40,300	17	4	12	3	2	11	14.2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	2	1	8	56	26	42.6	0.25	34.4	158
15. Hamilton	41,100	18	2	6	...	2	8	10.2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	431
16. Falkirk	37,100	8	4	15	6	...	9	12.6	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	266
17. Airdrie	31,400	13	4	4	...	4	8	13.3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	147
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
April 18, 1953	2,588,300	923	277	646	81	58	623	12.6	20	21	3	34	5	4	1	2	16	14	26	35	87	74	23	376	56†	26†	43.4‡	0.36‡	29.1‡	
April 11, 1953	2,588,300	1050	1049	718	90	53	681	13.7	24	14	4	30	5	6	3	5	30	26	28	29	114	93	22	401	53†	25†	40.8‡	0.57‡	20.0‡	
April 19, 1952	2,577,500‖	1026	297	698	96	41	643	13.0	23	19	4	39	9	6	4	9	16	14	73		111	70	15	406	69†	32†	51.6‡	0.05‡	53.1‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes

‡ Weekly means.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

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Week ended Saturday, 25th April 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 25th April 1953, the births of 971 living children, and of 25 still-born children, 186 marriages and 606 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.6 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 3.7 and the death rate 12.2. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 25 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.0 more than in the previous week, but 1.2 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.9 less than in the previous week, and 2.6 below the average. The death-rate is 0.4 less than in the previous week, and 0.4 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 18.1 in Perth and 17.1 in Paisley to 7.4 in Coatbridge and 6.2 in Kilmarnock. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Ayr 16.9 and in Airdrie 16.6. In Glasgow the rate was 11.3 and in Edinburgh 13.1.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 4, and are 2 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal infections, 1 from measles and 2 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 16, of which 14 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. These are respectively the same as in the previous week.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 52, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.0 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 30, being 4 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 14 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 388, and are 12 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 21, and are 2 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 21st April 1953 was 15,015. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 46.9° being 3.5° above that for the previous week, and 2.5° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.03 inch, and the mean sunshine 56.7 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 16 — Week ended SATURDAY, April 25th, 1953.

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerpera Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Orkney C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ross and Cromarty C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sutherland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zetland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	4	...	5	1	...	...	...	...	...
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...
Aberdeen B.	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	8	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	5
Banff C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kincardine C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Moray and Nairn C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	1	...	...
TOTAL	2	...	...	...	1	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	1	13	...	8	2	...	...	1	...	5
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Arbroath B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dundee B.	3	10	...	...	...	8	...	1	...	...	...	20	...	...	...	7	...	...	1	2	5	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	8
Fife C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	...	...	8	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	11
Dunfermline B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcaldy B.	...	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	21	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	4	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	7
Perth and Kinross C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perth B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...

LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	Chicken-pox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Enteric Fever (Typhoid)	Erysipelas	Jaundice Infectiosa	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia Influenza	Pneumonia Primary	Pneumonia otherwise	Poliomyelitis Acuta	Puerperal Pyrexia	Puerperal Septicæmia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis Respiratory	Tuberculosis Non-Respiratory	Typhus	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
SOUTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Berwick C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
East Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midlothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	7	2	...	...	...	...	8
Edinburgh B.	...	...	...	...	...	15	...	1	...	...	...	43	...	...	...	8	...	...	1	1	7	...	16	2	...	...	...	...	43
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1
Roxburgh C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	6	1	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	1	...	...	...	43	...	...	...	9	...	...	1	1	13	...	31	5	1	...	...	...	52
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Ayr C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	9	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	8
Ayr B.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Kilmarnock B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dunbarton C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	5	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	11
Clydebank B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1
Dumbarton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	1
Dumfries B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcudbright C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	2	24	...	...	1	1	...	2	...	...	...	21	...	...	2	32	...	...	2	1	9	...	10	2	...	...	...	...	22
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Glasgow B.	17	313	...	7	3	35	...	3	...	...	...	422	4	...	4	88	...	2	6	5	44	...	67	6	1	...	...	...	256
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Renfrew C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	3
Greenock B.	...	19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	23
Paisley B.	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	8	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Port-Glasgow B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	1
Falkirk B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wigtown C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	20	361	...	7	4	37	...	11	...	...	...	480	4	...	16	154	4	2	9	6	105	...	104	15	1	...	...	...	345
GRAND TOTAL	25	387	...	7	5	67	...	16	1	...	...	568	4	...	18	199	4	2	11	10	165	...	163	28	2	...	1	...	429

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 16

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED APRIL 25, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED APRIL 21, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other respiratory diseases	Deaths from: Malignant neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 21st April 1953***
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	432	77	257	35	13	235	11.3	10	4	2	12	1	3	1	3	9	9	6	14	47	29	7	141	64	31	47.0	0.00	56.6	4,152
2. Edinburgh	474,500	160	34	129	19	9	119	13.1	6	3	...	5	2	1	...	...	1	1	6	7	23	15	3	77	65	34	46.1	0.07	63.3	1,016
3. Aberdeen	183,800	56	17	57	15	3	45	12.8	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	7	8	2	34	61	31	44.9	0.02	44.1	516
4. Dundee	178,300	57	14	48	8	4	44	12.9	...	2	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	11	2	6	32	68	34	46.4	0.11	60.1	695
5. Paisley	94,400	35	7	29	2	4	31	17.1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	2	2	2	4	4	...	22	63	34	48.6	...	51.8	310
6. Greenock	76,700	32	9	25	5	1	21	14.3	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	2	1	...	1	4	2	...	13	62	36	48.3	0.03	59.5	377
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	22	2	7	...	3	10	7.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	1	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	496
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	26	1	16	4	...	12	12.7	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	249
9. Coatbridge	49,200	25	3	4	...	3	7	7.4	2	1	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	224
10. Dunfermline	45,200	11	1	11	3	2	10	11.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	2	...	7	64	32	46.1	0.06	57.5	221
11. Clydebank	45,700	23	3	9	2	4	11	12.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	1	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	272
12. Ayr	43,200	15	6	14	2	2	14	16.9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	3	2	1	11	...	...	...	...	...	295
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	15	3	6	2	1	5	6.2	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	66	30	47.4	...	65.7	241
14. Perth	40,300	6	3	16	4	2	14	18.1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	4	3	...	7	65	31	46.9	...	51.9	173
15. Hamilton	41,100	24	2	8	1	3	10	12.7	1	2	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	397
16. Falkirk	37,100	17	3	10	2	...	8	11.2	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	250
17. Airdrie	31,400	15	1	10	2	2	10	16.6	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	148
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
April 25, 1953	2,588,300	971	186	656	106	56	606	12.2	25	14	3	30	5	5	1	4	16	14	22	30	115	76	21	388	68†	30†	46.9‡	0.03‡	56.7‡	
April 18, 1953	2,588,300	923	277	646	81	58	623	12.6	20	21	3	34	5	4	1	2	16	14	26	35	87	74	23	376	56†	26†	43.4‡	0.36‡	29.1‡	
April 26, 1952	2,577,500‖	973	252	640	81	61	620	12.6	25	26	3	45	10	...	4	6	22	19	50		100	75	41	349	66†	33†	48.9‡	0.85‡	36.6‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes ‡ Weekly means.

*** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

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No. 17

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 2nd May 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 2nd May 1953, the births of 929 living children, and of 33 still-born children, 286 marriages and 562 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.7 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 5.8 and the death rate 11.3. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 34 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.9 less than in the previous week, and 1.5 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 2.1 more than in the previous week, but 0.5 below the average. The death-rate is 0.9 less than in the previous week, and 0.9 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 16.0 in Clydebank and 15.7 in Ayr to 6.3 in Hamilton and 1.2 in Kilmarnock. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Falkirk 15.4 and in Kirkcaldy and Coatbridge 14.8. In Glasgow the rate was 11.6 and in Edinburgh 11.9.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 4, and are the same as in the previous week. They include 2 from whooping cough, 1 from meningococcal infections and 1 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 13, of which 12 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 3 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 2 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 40, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.8 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 30, being the same as in the previous week. Of these, 17 were aged 0-6 days and 4 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 346, and are 42 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 23, and are 2 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 28th April 1953 was 14,662. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 44.4° being 2.5° below that for the previous week, and 1.5° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.76 inch, and the mean sunshine 35.5 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 17 — **Week ended SATURDAY, May 2nd, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerpera Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	...
Orkney C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ross and Cromarty C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	2
Sutherland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zetland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	6	...	5	2	...	...	1	...	2
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	6	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Aberdeen B.	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	3	5	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	5
Banff C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Kincardine C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Moray and Nairn C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	6	6	...	1	3	13	...	10	4	...	...	...	...	9
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Arbroath B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...
Dundee B.	1	17	...	...	...	3	...	3	...	...	...	39	5	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	4	...	8	1	...	...	...	...	5
Fife C.	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	7	...	...	...	...	2	...	7	1	...	...	...	...	9
Dunfermline B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcaldy B.	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Perth and Kinross C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perth B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...

LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Fever	Chicken	Cholera	Conti	Diphth	Dysen	Encep-Let	Erysi	Jaund-Inf	Lepro	Mala	Meas	Ophth-Ne	Plagu	Pneume-Influ	Pneuma-Primi	Pneu-otherwi	Polio-Ac	Puerp	Puerper	Scarl	Smal	Tube-Re	Tuberc-Non-	Typh	Para	Para	Typh	Whoo
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30
SOUTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Berwick C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
East Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midlothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	4
Edinburgh B.	1	...	...	...	...	15	...	1	...	...	...	41	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	1	8	...	25	...	...	...	...	...	11
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Roxburgh C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	8	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2
TOTAL	1	...	...	...	...	15	...	2	...	...	...	41	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	1	26	...	31	1	...	...	...	...	17
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ayr C.	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	9	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	6
Ayr B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...
Kilmarnock B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3
Dunbarton C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	5	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	2
Clydebank B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dumbarton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Dumfries B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcudbright C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	1	3	...	...	1	...	...	3	...	...	...	10	1	...	2	27	...	...	1	1	11	...	15	9	...	...	...	...	33
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	8
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	5
Glasgow B.	7	167	...	4	2	49	...	2	...	...	...	283	9	...	3	96	...	1	3	4	36	...	57	8	...	...	...	...	290
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	...	...	...	4	...	6	4	...	...	...	...	...
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	7
Renfrew C.	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	2	...	11	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	2
Greenock B.	...	37	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	27	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	8	1	...	...	...	...	24
Paisley B.	...	6	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	2	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	8
Port-Glasgow B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	9	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	4
Falkirk B.	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Stirling B.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wigtown C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	10	215	...	4	3	56	...	6	...	...	...	335	11	...	11	159	7	1	6	5	115	...	125	27	...	...	...	...	402
GRAND TOTAL	12	242	...	4	3	82	...	18	...	...	...	427	19	...	14	185	13	1	7	9	180	...	194	39	...	...	1	...	452

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 17

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 2, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED APRIL 28, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other respiratory diseases	Deaths from: Malignant neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 28th April 1953*.*
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	408	125	265	34	10	241	11.6	19	6	3	15	...	...	1	1	9	8	8	10	36	36	10	130	63	33	44.1	0.63	33.8	4,077
2. Edinburgh	474,500	155	43	123	19	4	108	11.9	4	4	...	6	3	...	...	1	3	3	4	3	25	17	3	70	64	35	44.1	0.99	41.2	1,166
3. Aberdeen	183,800	77	27	60	15	1	46	13.0	3	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	9	6	2	35	61	30	42.7	1.37	30.3	627
4. Dundee	178,300	62	18	27	6	1	22	6.4	4	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	2	1	14	63	32	45.2	0.82	39.2	643
5. Paisley	94,400	31	9	24	7	3	20	11.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	4	1	3	10	62	36	45.1	0.63	30.1	357
6. Greenock	76,700	27	11	17	1	1	17	11.6	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	13	61	37	45.1	0.56	30.1	328
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	23	5	12	1	...	11	8.3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	2	1	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	459
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	12	2	19	5	...	14	14.8	1	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	2	12	...	...	...	...	...	265
9. Coatbridge	49,200	20	7	11	...	3	14	14.8	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	228
10. Dunfermline	45,200	11	6	9	2	2	9	10.4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	1	1	8	64	34	44.6	0.88	36.2	212
11. Clydebank	45,700	24	4	9	...	5	14	16.0	1	2	...	2	2	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	239
12. Ayr	43,200	13	5	15	2	...	13	15.7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	267
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	18	3	5	4	...	1	1.2	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	60	34	44.1	0.55	36.0	191
14. Perth	40,300	13	14	7	1	3	9	11.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	7	64	30	44.6	0.39	42.9	167
15. Hamilton	41,100	13	2	1	...	4	5	6.3	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	390
16. Falkirk	37,100	12	3	18	8	1	11	15.4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	8	...	...	...	...	...	224
17. Airdrie	31,400	10	2	6	2	3	7	11.6	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	177
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
May 2, 1953	2,588,300	929	286	628	107	41	562	11.3	33	17	4	30	7	1	2	4	13	12	22	18	88	78	23	346	64†	30†	44.4‡	0.76‡	35.5‡	
April 25, 1953	2,588,300	971	186	656	106	56	606	12.2	25	14	3	30	5	5	1	4	16	14	22	30	115	76	21	388	68†	30†	46.9‡	0.03‡	56.7‡	
May 3, 1952	2,577,500‖	934	289	547	87	54	514	10.4	24	22	2	33	5	7	...	2	18	17	30		87	76	24	293	67†	32†	48.6‡	0.23‡	23.7‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland

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No. 18

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 9th May 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 9th May 1953, the births of 917 living children, and of 27 still-born children, 147 marriages and 581 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.5 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 3.0 and the death rate 11.7. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 29 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 1.1 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 2.8 less than in the previous week, and 3.1 below the average. The death-rate is 0.4 more than in the previous week, but 0.2 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 13.8 in Coatbridge and 13.3 in Ayr to 7.4 in Kilmarnock and 3.4 in Clydebank. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Edinburgh and Aberdeen 13.0 and in Kirkcaldy 12.7. In Glasgow the rate was 11.8.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 4, and are the same as in the previous week. The 4 deaths registered were from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 20, of which 17 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 7 more than in the previous week, and the latter 5 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 34, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.7 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.3 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 21, being 9 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 15 were aged 0-6 days but there were none aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 365, and are 19 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 23, and are the same as in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 5th May 1953 was 14,033. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 54.9° being 10.5° above that for the previous week, and 8.6° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-30.

The mean rainfall was 0.00 inch, and the mean sunshine 64.0 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 18 — **Week ended SATURDAY, May 9th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Opthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerpera Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
Northern Area.—																													
Caithness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inverness B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Orkney C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Ross and Cromarty C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sutherland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zetland C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	9	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...
North-Eastern Area.—																													
Aberdeen C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	4	...	...	...	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	6
Aberdeen B.	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	1	3	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	2
Banff C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Kincardine C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Moray and Nairn C.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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Eastern Area.—																													
Angus C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...
Arbroath B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Dundee B.	2	9	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	6	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	10
Fife C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	7	...	7	3	...	...	...	...	14
Dunfermline B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcaldy B.	...	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	10	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Perth and Kinross C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perth B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Fe	Chicken	Cholera	Cont	Diph	Dysen	Encep Let	Erysip	Jaundice Inf	Leprosy	Malaria	Measles	Ophth Neo	Plague	Pneumonia Influen	Pneumonia Primary	Pneum otherwise	Poliomy Acu	Puerper	Puerperal	Scarlet	Smallpox	Tuberc Resp	Tubercul Non-R	Typhoid	Para-ty	Para-ty	Typhus	Whooping
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
SOUTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Berwick C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
East Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midlothian C.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Edinburgh B.	...	...	...	...	...	21	2	3	...	...	1	33	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	4	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	3
Peebles C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	...	11	6	...	...	...	...	34
Roxburgh C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Selkirk C.	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	3	...	...	...	...
West Lothian C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	1	...	...	...	1	21	2	3	...	...	1	33	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	9	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	10	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ayr C.	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	7	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	3
Ayr B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Kilmarnock B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bute C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Clackmannan C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3
Dunbarton C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Clydebank B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	10
Dumbarton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Dumfries C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
Dumfries B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkcudbright C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lanark C.	...	11	...	...	1	4	...	1	...	...	...	20	...	...	1	21	...	...	...	...	6	...	14	3	...	...	...	...	25
Airdrie B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2
Coatbridge B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	3
Glasgow B.	11	166	...	6	8	41	1	6	...	...	...	244	3	...	2	87	...	1	6	5	38	...	49	6	...	...	...	...	203
Hamilton B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	2	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rutherglen B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1
Renfrew C.	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	8	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	3
Greenock B.	...	23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	2	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	19
Paisley B.	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	9
Port-Glasgow B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	1
Stirling C.	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	1
Falkirk B.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Stirling B.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wigtown C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	11	215	...	6	9	59	1	7	...	...	...	305	3	...	7	157	10	1	6	6	121	...	102	12	...	...	...	...	309
GRAND TOTAL	15	242	...	6	10	90	3	12	3	...	1	359	3	...	7	197	15	1	6	7	189	...	148	27	3	...	...	...	384

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 18

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 9, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 5, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other respiratory diseases	Deaths from: Malignant neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature °Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature °Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature °Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 5th May 1953*•
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	414	69	259	32	18	245	11.8	10	9	...	10	1	2	...	1	10	9	6	13	50	31	8	144	76	39	57.4	...	65.2	3,761
2. Edinburgh	474,500	127	33	135	20	3	118	13.0	7	1	...	2	...	1	...	1	2	1	6	2	20	23	5	84	72	39	53.3	0.02	68.3	1,119
3. Aberdeen	183,800	69	9	52	7	1	46	13.0	...	2	...	3	...	2	...	...	2	2	1	1	8	7	1	30	66	34	51.3	0.01	58.3	657
4. Dundee	178,300	63	6	45	6	4	43	12.6	5	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	8	8	2	29	70	38	52.9	...	55.6	572
5. Paisley	94,400	29	4	23	4	1	20	11.0	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	1	1	...	4	2	...	9	76	41	58.0	...	60.4	385
6. Greenock	76,700	36	6	17	3	2	16	10.9	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	4	...	...	9	73	43	56.9	...	67.4	327
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	29	1	12	...	1	13	9.8	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	10	...	...	...	...	...	438
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	15	2	14	2	...	12	12.7	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	9	...	...	...	...	...	242
9. Coatbridge	49,200	23	1	10	...	3	13	13.8	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	2	1	1	8	...	...	...	...	...	207
10. Dunfermline	45,200	12	3	9	1	1	9	10.4	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	3	73	39	53.8	0.00	59.9	235
11. Clydebank	45,700	15	3	9	7	1	3	3.4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	234
12. Ayr	43,200	16	1	10	1	2	11	13.3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	2	1	9	...	...	...	...	...	257
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	17	1	7	1	...	6	7.4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	3	71	38	55.5	...	76.9	187
14. Perth	40,300	14	2	7	1	...	6	7.8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	5	76	35	54.8	...	64.3	145
15. Hamilton	41,100	17	4	5	1	3	7	8.9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	1	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	378
16. Falkirk	37,100	11	2	9	3	2	8	11.2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	178
17. Airdrie	31,400	10	...	4	1	2	5	8.3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	2	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	132
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
May 9, 1953	2,588,300	917	147	627	90	44	581	11.7	27	15	...	21	1	5	...	4	20	17	15	19	107	82	23	365	76†	34†	54.9‡	0.00‡	64.0‡	
May 2, 1953	2,588,300	929	286	628	107	41	562	11.3	33	17	4	30	7	1	2	4	13	12	22	18	88	78	23	346	64†	30†	44.4‡	0.76‡	35.5‡	
May 10, 1952	2,577,500‖	937	131	611	92	72	591	12.0	28	19	5	40	8	8	4	5	29	23	49		109	66	19	341	63†	34†	50.2‡	0.85‡	21.6‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes

‡ Weekly means

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No. 19

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
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BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 16th May 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 16th May 1953, the births of 932 living children, and of 17 still-born children, 141 marriages and 526 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.8 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 2.8 and the death-rate 10.6. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 18 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.3 more than in the previous week, but 1.8 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week and 0.2 below the average. The death-rate is 1.1 less than in the previous week and 1.4 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 13.6 in Kilmarnock and 13.3 in Aberdeen to 7.5 in Greenock and 5.0 in Airdrie. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dunfermline, 12.7, and in Dundee, 12.0. In Glasgow the rate was 10.3 and in Edinburgh 11.2.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2 and are 2 fewer than in the previous week. They include 1 from whooping-cough and 1 from measles. In addition there was 1 death from dysentery.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 17, of which 16 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 3 fewer than in the previous week and the latter 1 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 22 and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.4 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.3 less than in the previous week and 0.5 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 30, being 9 more than in the previous week. Of these, 17 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 306 and are 59 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 23 and are the same as in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 12th May 1953 was 13,040. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 49.4°, being 5.5° below that for the previous week but 1.8° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.39 inch, and the mean sunshine 20.4 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 19 **Week ended SATURDAY, May 16th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(29)	(28)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	4	1	..	..	..	4	..	6	3	..	..	1	..	..
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	..	..	..	6	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	3
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	7	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	2
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	8	5	..	..	2	20	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	7
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	10	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	13	7	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	5	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	7
Fife C.	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	..	..	..	..	9	..	10	2	..	..	..	..	20
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	1	11	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	9	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	7

Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	2
Edinburgh B.	2	..	..	..	..	20	..	1	..	..	..	82	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	7	..	23	4	..	..	..	..	34
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	2	..	..	..	..	20	..	2	..	..	..	82	..	..	..	6	1	..	..	15	..	28	5	..	..	..	..	39
WESTERN AREA.—																												
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	1	..	..	8	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	13
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	7
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	15
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	3
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	1	10	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	21	..	..	1	8	..	13	6	..	..	..	..	33
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	4	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	4
Glasgow B.	5	171	..	4	12	43	..	5	..	..	..	307	2	..	1	68	..	..	2	1	37	..	38	11	..	..	..	..	266
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	6	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	8
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	6	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	10
Greenock B.	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	..	..	..	4	4	..	..	..	4	..	6	3	..	..	..	..	24
Paisley B.	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	5
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	6	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	27	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	7	200	..	4	12	55	1	9	..	..	1	378	3	..	4	135	5	..	2	2	108	..	98	24	..	..	..	..	399
GRAND TOTAL	11	221	..	4	12	93	1	13	1	..	2	492	10	..	5	172	15	..	2	4	174	..	165	39	..	..	1	..	480

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 19

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 16, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 12, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	7-27 days	Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Congenital Malformations	Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Tuberculosis: All Forms	Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Pneumonia	Other Respiratory Diseases	Malignant Neoplasms	Coronary Thrombosis	Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Absolute Lowest	Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 12th May 1953**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow .	1,086,800	406	59	227	26	13	214	10.3	9	5	1	11	1	4	..	2	8	8	2	9	43	19	10	124	64	39	50.8	0.27	24.2	3,664
2. Edinburgh	474,500	154	21	110	13	5	102	11.2	2	2	..	4	..	1	..	..	4	4	2	..	27	15	4	58	60	40	47.2	0.10	18.7	990
3. Aberdeen .	183,800	45	16	53	7	1	47	13.3	..	1	1	2	1	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	8	11	3	31	59	31	45.9	0.58	16.1	528
4. Dundee .	178,300	66	9	42	5	4	41	12.0	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	11	4	1	25	63	41	49.2	0.39	9.8	556
5. Paisley .	94,400	33	6	18	5	3	16	8.8	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	1	11	63	42	50.6	0.39	27.9	314
6. Greenock .	76,700	27	6	16	5	..	11	7.5	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	1	5	62	42	50.5	1.08	28.1	340
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	28	7	16	2	1	15	11.3	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	417
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	17	4	11	1	1	11	11.6	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	3	5	..	..	..	..	..	216
9. Coatbridge	49,200	19	2	6	..	3	9	9.5	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	223
10. Dunfermline	45,200	22	1	18	8	1	11	12.7	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	7	61	41	48.8	0.18	13.1	191
11. Clydebank	45,700	29	..	6	2	4	8	9.1	..	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	214
12. Ayr . .	43,200	11	4	6	1	2	7	8.5	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	253
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	15	2	13	3	1	11	13.6	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	3	..	6	62	39	50.4	0.18	35.0	188
14. Perth .	40,300	10	2	6	1	1	6	7.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	62	42	50.8	0.33	11.0	146
15. Hamilton .	41,100	20	1	3	..	3	6	7.6	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	356
16. Falkirk .	37,100	9	..	12	5	1	8	11.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	212
17. Airdrie .	31,400	21	1	2	1	2	3	5.0	..	1	..	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	137
TOTALS FOR 17 Town Week ended May 16, 1953 .	2,588,300	932	141	565	85	46	526	10.6	17	17	3	30	7	6	..	2	17	16	9	13	105	67	23	306	64†	31†	49.4‡	0.39‡	20.4‡	
May 9, 1953 .	2,588,300	917	147	627	90	44	581	11.7	27	15	..	21	1	5	..	4	20	17	15	19	107	82	23	365	76†	34†	54.9‡	0.00‡	64.0‡	
May 17, 1952	2,577,500‖	953	140	581	85	54	550	11.2	18	14	2	28	5	5	2	1	18	15	36		97	66	24	333	78†	40†	55.9‡	0.51‡	43.6‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

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No. 20

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
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BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

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Week ended Saturday, 23rd May 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 23rd May 1953, the births of 948 living children, and of 25 still-born children, 135 marriages and 569 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.1 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 2.7 and the death-rate 11.5. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 26 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.3 more than in the previous week, but 1.3 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.6 below the average. The death-rate is 0.9 more than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 15.2 in Hamilton and 14.5 in Ayr to 7.7 in Aberdeen and 7.0 in Falkirk. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dundee, 13.2, and in Kirkcaldy, 12.7. In Glasgow and Edinburgh the rate was 11.9.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week 2 deaths were registered.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 14, all of which were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 3 fewer than in the previous week and the latter 2 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 33 and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.7 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.3 more than in the previous week but 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 31, being 1 more than in the previous week. Of these, 10 were aged 0-6 days and 6 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numberd 332, and are 26 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 31, and are 8 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 19th May 1953 was 12,567. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 53.7° being 4.3° above that for the previous week and 3.7° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.07 inches and the mean sunshine 31.8 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 20 **Week ended SATURDAY, May 23rd, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	5	..	..	..	..	4
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	5	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	2
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	10	2	..	..	..	8	..	13	5	..	..	..	..	3
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	2	8	..	..	..	8	..	2	..	..	..	17	3	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	4	..	10	1	..	..	..	..	8
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	5	..	10	3	..	..	..	..	12
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	16	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	7

Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	1	..	..	..	82	..	..	..	4	1	..	1	..	9	..	11	3	..	..	..	..	47
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	2	..	..	..	82	..	..	..	5	1	..	1	..	21	..	31	6	..	..	..	..	55
Western Area.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	1	..	..	7	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	19
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	11
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	2	..	..	2	6	..	1	..	..	..	11	1	..	..	11	..	..	1	1	8	..	6	2	..	..	..	..	33
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	11
Glasgow B.	6	166	..	4	2	49	..	5	..	..	..	203	..	..	1	64	..	..	5	1	33	..	54	10	..	..	..	..	210
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	1	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	12
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4
Renfrew C.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	8
Greenock B.	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	49	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	11
Paisley B.	..	7	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	8	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	5	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	2
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Total	7	195	..	4	5	72	..	8	..	..	1	290	1	..	6	107	5	3	6	2	104	..	89	19	..	..	..	..	345
Grand Total	12	219	..	4	5	93	..	14	1	..	2	403	6	..	6	141	8	3	8	2	149	..	161	39	..	..	..	..	434

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 20

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 23, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 19, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 19th May 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	431	54	265	30	13	248	11.9	13	6	4	15	..	5	1	..	10	10	4	8	44	27	11	124	66	44	53.5	1.06	26.4	3,481
2. Edinburgh	474,500	140	41	118	14	4	108	11.9	3	1	1	7	..	1	..	..	2	2	6	..	25	17	5	72	66	44	54.2	1.24	39.3	944
3. Aberdeen	183,800	60	9	31	5	1	27	7.7	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	5	4	..	17	66	41	51.7	0.95	34.5	566
4. Dundee	178,300	65	11	50	8	3	45	13.2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	4	4	33	65	45	53.6	0.77	29.1	517
5. Paisley	94,400	44	3	24	4	1	21	11.6	2	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	1	4	3	12	66	45	54.5	1.58	29.6	311
6. Greenock	76,700	30	1	20	2	..	18	12.2	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	3	1	..	11	64	45	54.0	0.97	..¶	264
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	31	..	14	4	2	12	9.1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	384
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	13	4	10	1	3	12	12.7	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	3	6	..	..	..	..	..	191
9. Coatbridge	49,200	18	..	7	..	4	11	11.7	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	3	6	..	..	..	..	..	220
10. Dunfermline	45,200	7	1	10	4	1	7	8.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	6	64	44	53.4	1.12	30.3	199
11. Clydebank	45,700	16	2	6	2	6	10	11.4	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	204
12. Ayr	43,200	15	1	11	2	3	12	14.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	2	9	..	..	..	..	..	199
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	16	1	8	1	2	9	11.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	8	65	43	54.3	1.03	38.1	147
14. Perth	40,300	21	4	8	2	1	7	9.1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	4	67	45	53.7	0.94	27.1	148
15. Hamilton	41,100	17	2	10	..	2	12	15.2	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	2	1	2	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	354
16. Falkirk	37,100	13	..	7	2	..	5	7.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	189
17. Airdrie	31,400	11	1	3	..	2	5	8.3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	145
TOTALS FOR 17 Town Week ended																														
May 23, 1953	2,588,300	948	135	602	81	48	569	11.5	25	10	6	31	3	7	3	..	14	14	14	19	97	76	31	332	67†	41†	53.7‡	1.07‡	31.8‡	
May 16, 1953	2,588,300	932	141	565	85	46	526	10.6	17	17	3	30	7	6	..	2	17	16	9	13	105	67	23	306	64†	31†	49.4‡	0.39‡	20.4‡	
May 24, 1952	2,577,500	881	147	555	84	60	531	10.8	28	14	3	31	2	5	5	4	15	15	35		94	76	29	324	79†	35†	55.2‡	0.03‡	36.2‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

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Week ended Saturday, 30th May 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 30th May 1953, the births of 945 living children, and of 14 still-born children, 174 marriages and 487 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.0 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 3.5 and the death-rate 9.8. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 15 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.3 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.8 more than in the previous week, and 0.3 above the average. The death-rate is 1.7 less than in the previous week, and 1.6 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 12.1 in Ayr and 12.0 in Dundee to 6.8 in Clydebank and 3.8 in Hamilton. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Perth 11.6 and in Dunfermline 10.4. In Glasgow the rate was 10.1 and in Edinburgh 10.3.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 4, and are 4 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from whooping-cough, 1 from measles and 2 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 11, of which 10 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 3 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 4 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 34, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.7 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 26, being 5 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 13 were aged 0-6 days and 5 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 300, and are 32 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 21, and are 10 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 26th May 1953, was 11,964. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 55.2° being 1.5° above that for the previous week, and 3.4° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.67 inch, and the mean sunshine 39.2 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 21 **Week ended SATURDAY, May 30th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
†Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
†Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	4	3	..	..	..	..	..
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	4	..	..	..	7	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	2	..	5	..	5	3	..	..	..	..	2
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	7	4	..	2	..	15	..	8	7	..	..	..	..	6
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	4	7	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	27	3	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	6	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	4
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	13	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	6
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	5	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1

Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	2
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	34	..	..	4	..	..	104	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	6	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	45
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	36	..	1	4	..	..	104	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	14	..	26	..	..	..	..	..	51
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	1	..	..	..	6	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	18
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	7
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	1	..	..	2	7	..	2	..	..	..	20	..	..	..	17	..	..	1	..	9	..	9	2	..	..	..	..	24
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	10
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Glasgow B.	13	224	..	4	7	57	..	5	..	..	2	260	5	..	..	97	..	1	3	2	47	..	55	3	1	..	..	..	247
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	6	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	12
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	8
Greenock B.	..	17	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	11
Paisley B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	6	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	12
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	7	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	5
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	14	243	..	4	10	73	..	9	..	1	2	317	5	..	1	139	5	1	5	2	112	..	97	11	1	..	..	..	383
GRAND TOTAL	21	255	..	4	10	115	..	13	4	1	4	455	8	..	1	158	9	2	7	3	175	..	157	22	1	..	..	..	451

NOTE. * **Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland**

† Return not received.

No. 21

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 30, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED MAY 26, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	7-27 days	Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Congenital Malformations	Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Tuberculosis: All Forms	Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Pneumonia	Other Respiratory Diseases	Malignant Neoplasms	Coronary Thrombosis	Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Absolute Lowest	Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 26th May 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	417	73	241	42	11	210	10.1	10	4	4	14	3	5	1	2	6	6	4	12	38	21	7	118	65	43	55.4	0.98	42.5	3,055
2. Edinburgh	474,500	163	29	102	14	6	94	10.3	3	1	..	2	1	..	..	1	1	1	4	3	16	17	5	62	70	44	55.5	0.43	41.3	1,048
3. Aberdeen	183,800	68	25	32	4	2	30	8.5	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	1	3	5	2	18	62	40	52.1	0.96	34.6	578
4. Dundee	178,300	64	9	45	8	4	41	12.0	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	6	7	3	29	65	41	55.1	0.53	33.2	554
5. Paisley	94,400	24	3	20	7	1	14	7.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	1	1	9	66	46	56.7	0.37	41.7	323
6. Greenock	76,700	28	2	14	3	2	13	8.8	1	..	1	2	..	1	..	1	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	8	65	47	55.6	0.99	..	328
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	27	2	7	3	8	12	9.1	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	403
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	12	5	9	3	2	8	8.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	161
9. Coatbridge	49,200	29	1	6	..	2	8	8.5	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	175
10. Dunfermline	45,200	15	1	11	2	..	9	10.4	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	2	1	8	67	43	55.7	0.78	37.0	187
11. Clydebank	45,700	24	2	7	2	1	6	6.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	179
12. Ayr	43,200	11	4	12	2	..	10	12.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	219
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	13	2	6	..	1	7	8.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	5	69	41	55.1	0.55	47.1	190
14. Perth	40,300	12	4	10	3	2	9	11.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	6	68	42	55.8	0.40	36.4	112
15. Hamilton	41,100	12	2	2	..	1	3	3.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	308
16. Falkirk	37,100	9	6	10	4	1	7	9.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	177
17. Airdrie	31,400	17	4	3	1	4	6	10.0	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	129
TOTALS FOR 17 Town Week ended May, 30 1953	2,588,300	945	174	537	98	48	487	9.8	14	13	5	26	5	7	1	4	11	10	15	19	86	62	21	300	70†	40†	55.2‡	0.67‡	39.2‡	
May, 23 1953	2,588,300	948	135	602	81	48	569	11.5	25	10	6	31	3	7	3	..	14	14	14	19	97	76	31	332	67†	41†	53.7‡	1.07‡	31.8‡	
May 31, 1952	2,577,500‖	919	131	580	92	51	539	10.9	21	15	3	30	6	3	4	3	15	13	32		99	61	17	301	72†	33†	51.9‡	0.54‡	59.0‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 22

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 6th June 1953.

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 6th June 1953, the births of 927 living children, and of 30 still-born children, 307 marriages and 452 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.7 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 6.2 and the death-rate 9.1. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 31 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.3 less than in the previous week, and 0.6 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 2.7 more than in the previous week, and 0.9 above the average. The death-rate is 0.7 less than in the previous week, and 2.5 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 16.1 in Kilmarnock and 12.7 in Coatbridge to 5.0 in Airdrie and 1.5 in Motherwell and Wishaw. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Ayr 12.1 and in Greenock 11.6. In Glasgow the rate was 8.8 and in Edinburgh 10.8.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2, and are 2 fewer than in the previous week. They include 1 from whooping-cough and 1 from measles.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 12, of which 10 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 more than in the previous week, but the latter the same.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 20, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.4 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.3 less than in the previous week, and 0.4 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 14, being 12 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 5 were aged 0-6 days but there were none aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 279, and are 21 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 20, and are 1 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 2nd June 1953, was 9,459. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 50.0° being 5.2° below that for the previous week, and 3.8° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.24 inch, and the mean sunshine 39.8 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 22 **Week ended SATURDAY, June 6th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Dundee B.	..	13	..	..	..	9	..	1	..	..	..	13	4	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	4
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	9	..	12	1	..	..	..	..	8
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8

Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Edinburgh B.	2	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	111	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	11	..	15	2	..	..	..	..	44
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	2	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	111	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	16	..	26	2	..	..	..	..	46
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Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	10
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	2
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	7
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	7	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	11
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	9
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	2	2	..	1	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	4	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	22
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	4
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1
Glasgow B.	9	133	..	2	2	35	..	13	..	..	1	128	2	..	1	53	..	..	13	..	28	..	47	7	..	..	1	..	176
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Greenock B.	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	41	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	4	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	10
Paisley B.	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	9	..	1	..	1	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	5
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	6	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	5
Falkirk B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
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Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	12	148	..	3	3	47	..	14	..	..	1	179	4	..	3	95	3	2	15	1	83	..	89	10	..	..	1	..	274
GRAND TOTAL	16	172	..	3	3	70	..	15	..	..	2	308	9	..	3	132	5	3	15	1	141	..	147	23	..	..	1	..	341

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 22

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 6, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 2, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 2nd June 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	381	141	195	30	18	183	8.8	11	4	..	7	1	1	2	1	8	7	3	7	28	27	5	111	67	39	51.3	0.12	52.4	2,759
2. Edinburgh	474,500	170	39	105	9	2	98	10.8	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	22	22	7	68	62	41	48.5	0.44	35.6	706
3. Aberdeen	183,800	60	35	41	9	1	33	9.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	4	9	2	22	58	40	46.3	0.61	22.7	434
4. Dundee	178,300	59	19	38	8	3	33	9.6	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	6	5	3	20	64	36	48.9	0.06	31.0	340
5. Paisley	94,400	32	3	13	4	1	10	5.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	..	1	5	67	42	53.0	0.23	52.4	174
6. Greenock	76,700	31	13	17	1	1	17	11.6	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	1	..	12	66	43	51.8	0.10	..¶	204
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	31	11	4	2	..	2	1.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	273
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	18	7	6	2	2	6	6.3	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	147
9. Coatbridge	49,200	18	4	9	..	3	12	12.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	157
10. Dunfermline	45,200	11	5	7	2	3	8	9.2	1	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	3	63	40	49.4	0.30	35.7	120
11. Clydebank	45,700	19	2	3	1	3	5	5.7	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	168
12. Ayr	43,200	20	2	12	3	1	10	12.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	178
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	23	6	12	..	1	13	16.1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	11	63	39	50.0	0.10	46.1	113
14. Perth	40,300	19	5	8	2	2	8	10.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	4	65	35	50.9	0.19	42.7	91
15. Hamilton	41,100	7	6	2	1	6	7	8.9	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	258
16. Falkirk	37,100	12	6	8	5	1	4	5.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	138
17. Airdrie	31,400	16	3	1	..	2	3	5.0	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	113
TOTALS FOR 17 Town Week ended																														
June, 6 1953	2,588,300	927	307	481	79	50	452	9.1	30	5	..	14	2	2	3	2	12	10	9	11	82	76	20	279	67†	35†	50.0‡	0.24‡	39.8‡	
May, 30 1953	2,588,300	945	174	537	98	48	487	9.8	14	13	5	26	5	7	1	4	11	10	15	19	86	62	21	300	70†	40†	55.2‡	0.67‡	39.2‡	
June 7, 1952	2,577,500‖	946	363	559	98	48	509	10.3	22	15	3	21	4	7	1	2	15	10	34		104	61	16	296	64†	33†	51.1‡	0.48‡	52.3‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area covered by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 23

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 13th June 1953

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 13th June 1953, the births of 936 living children, and of 20 still-born children, 535 marriages and 536 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.9 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 10.8 and the death rate 10.8. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 21 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.2 more than in the previous week, but 1.0 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 4.6 more than in the previous week, but 0.8 below the average. The death-rate is 1.7 more than in the previous week, but 0.4 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 15.9 in Coatbridge and 15.2 in Hamilton to 5.6 in Falkirk and 4.2 in Kirkcaldy. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Greenock 14.3 and in Motherwell and Wishaw 13.6. In Glasgow the rate was 10.6 and in Edinburgh 11.3.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1, and are 1 fewer than in the previous week. The death registered was from measles.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 13, all of which were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 more than in the previous week, and the latter 3 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 22, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.4 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.3 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 30, being 16 more than in the previous week. Of these 15 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 326, and are 47 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 26, and are 6 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 9th June 1953, was 12,957. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 56.3° being 6.3° above that for the previous week, and 2.0° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.17 inch, and the mean sunshine 48.3 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 23 **Week ended SATURDAY, June 13th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
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Ross and Cromarty C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
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Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
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EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	9	..	..	1	14	..	..	..	..	1	11	6	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	5	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	2
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	6	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	16
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	4	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..

Edinburgh B.	1	..	..	..	..	16	..	..	..	..	..	146	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	1	11	..	21	8	..	..	..	..	3
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	50
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	2	..	..	..	..	23	..	..	..	..	2	146	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	1	23	..	40	11	..	..	..	..	55
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	6	..	6	2	..	..	..	..	20
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	4	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	5	..	..	..	19	1	2	..	..	1	21	2	..	..	23	..	..	1	..	3	..	10	1	..	..	..	..	48
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	24
Glasgow B.	8	192	..	3	6	51	..	4	..	..	3	236	..	..	4	90	..	2	4	..	31	..	43	1	1	..	..	..	333
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	7	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	16
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Renfrew C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	8	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	4
Greenock B.	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	58	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	21
Paisley B.	..	5	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	9
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1
Falkirk B.	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	11	217	..	3	6	86	1	10	..	..	5	326	4	..	6	145	2	3	5	..	93	..	97	5	1	..	..	..	493
GRAND TOTAL	14	231	..	3	7	128	1	15	2	..	9	486	11	..	7	167	7	6	6	2	163	..	168	23	2	..	..	..	576

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 23

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 13, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 9, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	7-27 days	Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Congenital Malformations	Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Tuberculosis: All Forms	Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Pneumonia	Other Respiratory Diseases	Malignant Neoplasms	Coronary Thrombosis	Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Absolute Lowest	Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 9th June 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow .	1,086,800	408	229	234	30	17	221	10.6	9	7	1	14	2	4	2	1	6	6	6	2	47	21	13	125	75	42	57.9	0.05	46.3	3,535
2. Edinburgh	474,500	150	100	116	17	4	103	11.3	2	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	4	1	2	19	16	4	69	65	46	54.4	0.45	52.8	963
3. Aberdeen .	183,800	69	38	52	10	2	44	12.5	..	3	..	6	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	7	..	25	66	39	51.3	0.28	29.0	535
4. Dundee .	178,300	67	29	39	7	2	34	9.9	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	10	1	3	23	68	47	55.1	0.20	38.7	500
5. Paisley .	94,400	33	22	12	2	3	13	7.2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	7	73	46	59.6	0.07	50.6	395
6. Greenock .	76,700	26	12	23	2	..	21	14.3	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	3	2	14	73	47	59.2	0.04	..¶	322
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	21	13	16	2	4	18	13.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	1	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	431
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	18	9	6	3	1	4	4.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	203
9. Coatbridge	49,200	20	9	9	1	7	15	15.9	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	2	3	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	196
10. Dunfermline	45,200	22	10	11	3	1	9	10.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	66	45	55.4	0.26	55.5	192
11. Clydebank	45,700	23	15	10	2	3	11	12.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	209
12. Ayr . .	43,200	7	7	10	4	1	7	8.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	5	..	..	..	..	..	236
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	17	7	11	5	2	8	9.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	6	71	42	56.8	0.02	62.3	150
14. Perth .	40,300	11	11	8	2	..	6	7.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	2	..	4	72	44	57.4	0.18	51.4	138
15. Hamilton .	41,100	16	8	7	..	5	12	15.2	1	1	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	4	1	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	350
16. Falkirk .	37,100	11	9	3	..	1	4	5.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	187
17. Airdrie .	31,400	17	7	4	..	2	6	10.0	1	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	1	1	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	152
TOTALS FOR 17 Town Week ended June 13, 1953 .	2,588,300	936	535	571	90	55	536	10.8	20	15	1	30	4	4	4	1	13	13	15	7	106	62	26	326	75†	39†	56.3‡	0.17‡	48.3‡	
June 6, 1953 .	2,588,300	927	307	481	79	50	452	9.1	30	5	..	14	2	2	3	2	12	10	9	11	82	76	20	279	67†	35†	50.0‡	0.24‡	39.8‡	
June 14, 1952	2,577,500‖	936	485	562	88	49	523	10.6	25	28	2	38	6	5	2	..	13	10	24		96	64	22	299	78†	36†	55.3‡	0.28‡	38.6‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 24

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 20th June 1953

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 20th June 1953, the births of 937 living children, and of 19 still-born children, 357 marriages and 529 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.9 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 7.2 and the death-rate 10.7. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 20 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is the same as in the previous week, but 0.6 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 3.6 less than in the previous week, and 3.0 below the average. The death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 17.0 in Greenock and 15.7 in Ayr to 3.4 in Clydebank and 3.3 in Airdrie. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Perth 15.5 and in Kilmarnock 13.6. In Glasgow the rate was 10.5 and in Edinburgh 10.0.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week 1 death was registered.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 10, of which 7 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 3 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 6 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 29, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.6 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 more than in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 27, being 3 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 17 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 318, and are 8 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 22, and are 4 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 16th June 1953, was 12,499. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 55.0° being 1.3° below that for the previous week, but 0.4° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.81 inch, and the mean sunshine 9.2 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 24 **Week ended SATURDAY, June 20th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	6	2	..	..	..	..	1
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	9	..	8	3	..	..	..	..	4
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	6	..	1	1	..	6	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	8	1	1	1	..	19	..	9	3	..	..	..	..	5
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	18	..	..	..	28	..	2	..	..	..	30	3	..	..	4	..	..	..	1	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	5
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	1	1	1	13	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	21
Dunfermline B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	5	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	13

Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	121	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	10	..	12	1	..	..	..	..	46
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	1	15	..	..	1	..	..	121	..	..	2	4	..	..	..	1	27	..	15	4	..	..	..	..	53
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	1	..	..	..	7	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	10
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	11
Clydebank B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	28
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	16	..	..	..	18	..	2	..	..	1	11	2	..	..	16	..	..	1	..	8	..	6	8	..	..	1	..	48
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Glasgow B.	16	143	..	3	8	77	..	5	..	..	4	118	4	..	2	76	..	1	6	2	37	..	58	13	1	..	1	..	268
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	12
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	2	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	8
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	6	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1
Greenock B.	..	21	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	67	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	20
Paisley B.	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	5	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	3
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	16	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	18	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	19	184	..	3	9	119	..	10	..	..	7	215	7	..	2	119	8	2	7	3	105	..	106	28	1	..	2	..	429
GRAND TOTAL	21	208	..	3	10	171	..	13	2	..	8	371	12	..	4	146	9	4	9	6	193	..	164	40	1	..	2	..	530

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 24

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 20, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 16, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 16th June 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow .	1,086,800	422	186	225	25	19	219	10.5	11	9	..	10	2	2	..	..	7	5	6	4	49	25	7	132	62	47	54.9	0.87	6.6	3,551
2. Edinburgh	474,500	142	50	108	19	2	91	10.0	4	2	..	5	..	1	..	..	1	..	4	1	16	16	6	52	63	47	53.6	0.38	7.1	938
3. Aberdeen .	183,800	55	23	51	9	1	43	12.2	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	7	10	1	24	62	44	52.9	1.67	19.2	516
4. Dundee .	178,300	58	12	42	3	3	42	12.3	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	9	7	4	29	63	45	54.9	0.68	7.4	514
5. Paisley .	94,400	36	17	16	2	1	15	8.3	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	2	3	1	8	64	48	56.4	0.74	8.5	355
6. Greenock .	76,700	34	11	25	1	1	25	17.0	..	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	2	6	4	1	12	64	49	55.7	0.96	..¶	308
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	34	11	11	2	4	13	9.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	2	9	..	..	..	..	..	424
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	18	5	12	2	1	11	11.6	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	2	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	188
9. Coatbridge	49,200	17	5	7	..	5	12	12.7	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	171
10. Dunfermline	45,200	14	6	9	3	..	6	6.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	3	63	49	55.0	0.66	5.2	186
11. Clydebank	45,700	19	2	4	2	1	3	3.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	221
12. Ayr . .	43,200	8	4	12	1	2	13	15.7	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	243
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	17	3	8	..	3	11	13.6	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	..	9	64	48	55.7	0.66	11.3	165
14. Perth .	40,300	20	5	12	1	1	12	15.5	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	9	65	45	55.6	0.67	8.6	126
15. Hamilton .	41,100	25	8	2	..	3	5	6.3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	340
16. Falkirk .	37,100	6	7	7	2	1	6	8.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	180
17. Airdrie .	31,400	12	2	1	..	1	2	3.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	148
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
June 20, 1953 .	2,588,300	937	357	552	72	49	529	10.7	19	17	1	27	3	6	..	..	10	7	19	10	107	79	22	318	65†	44†	55.0‡	0.81‡	9.2‡	
June 13, 1953 .	2,588,300	936	535	571	90	55	536	10.8	20	15	1	30	4	4	4	1	13	13	15	7	106	62	26	326	75†	39†	56.3‡	0.17‡	48.3‡	
June 21, 1952	2,577,500‖	913	435	500	79	62	483	9.8	25	15	1	29	2	3	2	..	21	17	24		96	57	17	277	63†	37†	51.3‡	1.43‡	29.3‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes.

‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 27th June 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 27th June 1953, the births of 879 living children, and of 28 still-born children, 444 marriages and 508 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.7 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 8.9 and the death-rate 10.2. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 31 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.2 less than in the previous week, and 1.6 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.7 more than in the previous week, but 1.4 below the average. The death-rate is 0.5 less than in the previous week, and 0.8 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 18.5 in Dunfermline and 14.0 in Hamilton to 3.9 in Perth and 3.4 in Clydebank. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dundee 12.3 and in Glasgow 11.0. In Edinburgh the rate was 9.4.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 3, and are 3 more than in the previous week. They include 2 from whooping-cough and 1 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 15, of which 12 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 5 more than in the previous week, and the latter 5 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 26, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.5 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 37, being 10 more than in the previous week. Of these, 15 were aged 0-6 days and 5 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 299, and are 19 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 32, and are 10 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 23rd June 1953, was 11,758. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this Return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 63.2° being 8.2° above that for the previous week, and 7.8° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.50 inch, and the mean sunshine 48.1 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 25 **Week ended SATURDAY, June 27th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	11	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	4
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	3
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	..	..	11	..	6	2	..	..	..	..	4
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	2	19	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	7	5	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	12	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	3
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	11	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	20
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Perth and Kinross C.						1		1													6			2					

Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	18	..	2	..	..	..	113	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	11	..	11	2	..	..	..	..	44
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	17	1	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..	20	..	2	..	..	..	113	..	..	..	4	1	1	..	..	20	..	37	8	..	..	..	..	61
Western Area.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	9	1	..	..	..	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	31
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	1
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	7	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	4	..	..	1	24	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	6	..	..	1	1	16	..	12	2	..	..	1	..	42
Airdrie B.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4
Glasgow B.	12	43	..	3	11	47	..	5	..	..	1	33	3	..	..	76	..	3	7	1	31	..	47	12	..	..	4	..	140
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	8	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	10
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	6
Renfrew C.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	3
Greenock B.	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	46	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	11
Paisley B.	..	5	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5	1	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	23
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	15	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	14	64	..	3	12	111	..	9	..	..	2	112	4	..	..	113	5	3	8	4	105	..	86	19	..	..	6	..	299
Grand Total	17	84	..	3	12	147	..	16	..	..	4	239	11	..	..	135	8	4	8	5	187	..	144	36	..	..	6	..	394

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 25

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 27, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 23, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 23rd June 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	362	197	242	28	16	230	11.0	14	7	2	16	1	4	1	1	9	8	8	9	54	25	16	116	80	51	64.7	1.53	42.7	3,421
2. Edinburgh	474,500	141	86	92	11	5	86	9.4	3	1	1	5	1	2	..	1	1	..	2	3	12	7	3	60	75	53	60.8	0.20	33.2	875
3. Aberdeen	183,800	59	27	37	4	5	38	10.8	..	2	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	6	2	6	25	76	48	60.8	..	55.9	477
4. Dundee	178,300	81	24	40	3	5	42	12.3	2	2	1	4	..	1	..	..	2	1	1	..	13	5	1	28	73	53	62.6	0.10	51.8	478
5. Paisley	94,400	26	21	22	8	3	17	9.4	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	12	80	51	65.4	0.46	40.4	319
6. Greenock	76,700	22	15	20	6	..	14	9.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	1	..	10	77	51	65.2	0.14	..¶	286
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	38	14	8	3	4	9	6.8	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	342
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	15	8	8	3	2	7	7.4	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	160
9. Coatbridge	49,200	20	4	5	1	3	7	7.4	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	175
10. Dunfermline	45,200	16	4	16	2	2	16	18.5	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	3	10	76	51	62.1	1.00	51.7	160
11. Clydebank	45,700	19	5	5	2	..	3	3.4	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	192
12. Ayr	43,200	14	6	10	3	1	8	9.7	1	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	225
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	16	5	8	3	1	6	7.4	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	80	52	64.3	0.38	54.0	152
14. Perth	40,300	14	7	8	5	..	3	3.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	78	50	62.6	0.70	55.1	101
15. Hamilton	41,100	13	7	10	2	3	11	14.0	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	2	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	305
16. Falkirk	37,100	11	10	8	2	1	7	9.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	163
17. Airdrie	31,400	12	4	4	..	..	4	6.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	125
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
June 27, 1953	2,588,300	879	444	543	86	51	508	10.2	28	15	5	37	3	7	4	3	15	12	13	13	101	49	32	299	80†	48†	63.2‡	0.50‡	48.1‡	
June 20, 1953	2,588,300	937	357	552	72	49	529	10.7	19	17	1	27	3	6	..	..	10	7	19	10	107	79	22	318	65†	44†	55.0‡	0.81‡	9.2‡	
June 28, 1952	2,577,500‖	899	488	540	88	46	498	10.1	23	11	4	28	3	5	1	1	13	10	29		89	75	18	298	72†	42†	57.6‡	0.58‡	27.9‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

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No. 26

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 4th July 1953

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 4th July 1953, the births of 943 living children, and of 23 still-born children, 607 marriages and 463 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.0 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 12.2 and the death-rate 9.3. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 24 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.3 more than in the previous week, and 0.7 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 3.3 more than in the previous week, and 0.2 above the average. The death-rate is 0.9 less than in the previous week, and 1.2 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 10.6 in Coatbridge and 10.4 in Dunfermline to 7.0 in Falkirk and 4.6 in Clydebank. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Perth 10.3 and in Airdrie 10.0. In Glasgow the rate was 9.5 and in Edinburgh 9.4.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1, and are 2 fewer than in the previous week. The death registered was from meningococcal infections.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 13, of which 9 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 2 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 3 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 28, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.6 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 22, being 15 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 12 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 260, and are 39 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 30, and are 2 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 30th June 1953, was 11,411. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 59.5° being 3.7° below that for the previous week, but 3.4° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.03 inch, and the mean sunshine 32.2 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 26 **Week ended SATURDAY, July 4th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	11	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	1
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	7	4	..	..	..	5	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	8	..	..	..	9	..	1	..	..	..	19	2	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	4
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	15	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	20
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	2
Edinburgh B.	1	..	..	..	..	21	..	..	..	..	..	119	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	11	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	56
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	6
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	1	23	..	..	..	..	..	119	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	23	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	70
WESTERN AREA.—																												
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	10	1	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	7	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	22
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	3
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	1	..	..	1	31	..	2	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	10	..	1	3	..	10	..	4	1	..	..	..	15
Airdrie B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Coatbridge B.	1	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	16
Glasgow B.	14	26	..	4	4	57	..	1	..	..	..	21	..	..	..	76	..	..	10	6	25	..	35	5	1	..	1	..	156
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	9
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	5	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	8
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	2
Greenock B.	..	8	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	22	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	7
Paisley B.	..	9	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	5	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	10
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	7
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	16	44	..	4	6	112	..	3	1	..	1	60	3	..	..	108	4	1	13	6	84	..	87	14	1	..	1	..	272
GRAND TOTAL	17	52	..	4	7	146	..	8	1	..	3	202	8	..	3	126	9	1	13	6	150	..	130	15	1	..	1	..	370

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No. 26

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 4, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JUNE 30, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 30th June 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	392	257	208	26	16	198	9.5	8	7	..	11	3	1	..	..	8	5	8	4	43	18	13	105	78	50	60.9	0.00	34.6	3,224
2. Edinburgh	474,500	157	108	96	15	5	86	9.4	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	2	..	2	23	16	7	48	67	50	56.6	0.06	26.7	892
3. Aberdeen	183,800	68	40	36	7	2	31	8.8	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	3	5	4	20	63	49	55.6	0.19	16.2	469
4. Dundee	178,300	66	39	33	7	4	30	8.8	4	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	1	2	1	4	4	2	18	67	51	57.4	0.02	19.9	463
5. Paisley	94,400	32	17	18	4	4	18	9.9	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	1	10	80	53	62.4	..	33.8	295
6. Greenock	76,700	28	22	15	3	2	14	9.5	1	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	2	..	7	79	53	62.6	0.01	37.2	287
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	29	11	13	2	2	13	9.8	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	352
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	24	14	8	1	2	9	9.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	3	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	157
9. Coatbridge	49,200	34	12	5	..	5	10	10.6	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	171
10. Dunfermline	45,200	13	7	8	1	2	9	10.4	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	7	69	50	58.1	..	35.9	169
11. Clydebank	45,700	19	15	3	1	2	4	4.6	..	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	169
12. Ayr	43,200	11	17	8	2	2	8	9.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	195
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	13	5	10	4	1	7	8.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	4	79	49	62.4	..	49.0	148
14. Perth	40,300	12	13	9	2	1	8	10.3	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	3	74	43	59.9	0.00	36.4	111
15. Hamilton	41,100	17	8	4	..	3	7	8.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	311
16. Falkirk	37,100	14	15	8	4	1	5	7.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	156
17. Airdrie	31,400	14	7	5	1	2	6	10.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	124
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended July 4, 1953	2,588,300	943	607	487	80	56	463	9.3	23	12	3	22	5	5	..	1	13	9	15	13	92	61	30	260	80†	43†	59.5‡	0.03‡	32.2‡	
June 27, 1953	2,588,300	879	444	543	86	51	508	10.2	28	15	5	37	3	7	4	3	15	12	13	13	101	49	32	299	80†	48†	63.2‡	0.50‡	48.1‡	
July 5, 1952	2,577,500‖	900	589	578	95	69	552	11.2	16	19	1	30	7	4	2	1	9	6	21		119	61	28	336	80†	42†	61.1‡	0.40‡	79.3‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 11th July 1953

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 11th July 1953, the births of 921 living children and of 23 still-born children; 521 marriages and 509 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.6 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 10.5 and the death-rate 10.3. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 24 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.4 less than in the previous week and 1.0 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.7 less than in the previous week and 3.3 below the average. The death-rate is 1.0 more than in the previous week but 0.1 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 14.0 in Hamilton and 13.6 in Kilmarnock to 5.0 in Airdrie and 2.4 in Ayr. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Falkirk 12.6, and in Perth 11.6. In Glasgow the rate was 9.8 and in Edinburgh 11.3.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2 and are 1 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from whooping-cough and 1 from meningococcal infections.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 15, of which 13 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 2 more than in the previous week and the latter 4 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 20 and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.4 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week and 0.2 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 31, being 9 more than in the previous week. Of these, 22 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 285 and are 25 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 25 and are 5 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 7th July 1953 was 11,243. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 58.0° being 1.5° below that for the previous week, but 0.4° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.45 inches and the mean sunshine 29.8 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 27 **Week ended SATURDAY, July 11th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping-Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	1	11	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	1	..	..	..	..	2
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	6	..	8	2	..	..	..	..	3
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	7	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	1	4	3	..	..	8	..	..	..	1	2	..	12	1	1	..	..	..	5
Fife C.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	1	13	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	19
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	1	2	..	..	..	5
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	20	4	1	..	..	45
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	18	..	1	..	..	1	103	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	..	..	2	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..								
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	1	22	..	1	..	..	1	103	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	23	..	26	6	1	..	2	..	63
WESTERN AREA.—																												
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	6	..	3	..	..	..	..	28
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	5
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	13
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	1	5	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	..	10	..	2	1	..	5	..	9	3	..	..	..	49
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Glasgow B.	5	3	..	1	3	36	..	3	..	..	1	13	5	..	..	1	73	3	5	5	24	..	46	7	..	..	..	85
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	2
Greenock B.	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	2
Paisley B.	..	5	..	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	13
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	10
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	5	9	..	1	6	76	..	6	1	..	4	41	6	..	1	35	77	6	7	5	80	..	68	12	..	..	..	..	236
GRAND TOTAL	6	20	..	1	7	107	..	11	2	..	7	158	9	..	2	62	79	7	7	8	149	..	135	22	2	..	2	..	336

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 27

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 11, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 7, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	7-27 days	Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Congenital Malformations	Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Tuberculosis: All Forms	Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Pneumonia	Other Respiratory Diseases	Malignant Neoplasms	Coronary Thrombosis	Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Absolute Lowest	Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 7th July 1953. * *
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	393	219	204	22	22	204	9.8	10	10	..	14	3	1	2	1	9	7	3	1	45	22	8	106	67	46	57.8	1.61	25.6	3,409
2. Edinburgh	474,500	149	132	112	15	6	103	11.3	3	3	1	5	1	1	..	..	3	3	..	7	25	10	7	59	67	46	58.0	0.72	32.8	792
3. Aberdeen	183,800	68	44	50	11	1	40	11.3	2	5	..	6	1	3	..	..	2	2	2	1	7	4	2	22	66	48	56.4	1.67	27.8	456
4. Dundee	178,300	71	25	39	4	2	37	10.8	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	10	1	2	22	68	47	58.5	1.22	30.8	507
5. Paisley	94,400	32	11	19	2	2	19	10.5	2	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	16	68	48	59.2	1.63	25.1	271
6. Greenock	76,700	39	13	19	6	..	13	8.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	2	..	8	65	48	57.7	2.38	30.2	235
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	21	13	8	2	7	13	9.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	7	..	..	..	..	..	365
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	14	7	9	2	2	9	9.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	169
9. Coatbridge	49,200	10	5	6	1	5	10	10.6	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	192
10. Dunfermline	45,200	12	7	7	2	2	7	8.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	1	4	66	44	57.8	0.93	26.7	150
11. Clydebank	45,700	25	19	7	1	3	9	10.3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	158
12. Ayr	43,200	14	6	4	2	..	2	2.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	221
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	15	3	14	3	..	11	13.6	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	1	6	67	45	57.7	1.85	34.5	144
14. Perth	40,300	18	6	11	3	1	9	11.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	4	68	45	58.7	1.05	34.3	97
15. Hamilton	41,100	20	5	7	2	6	11	14.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	288
16. Falkirk	37,100	12	4	12	5	2	9	12.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	3	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	117
17. Airdrie	31,400	8	2	1	..	2	3	5.0	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	133
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
July 11, 1953	2,588,300	921	521	529	83	63	509	10.3	23	22	2	31	6	6	2	2	15	13	9	11	109	56	25	285	68†	44†	58.0‡	1.45‡	29.8‡	
July 4, 1953	2,588,300	943	607	487	80	56	463	9.3	23	12	3	22	5	5	..	1	13	9	15	13	92	61	30	260	80†	43†	59.5‡	0.03‡	32.2‡	
July 12, 1952	2,577,500‖	902	552	511	83	39	467	9.5	24	14	3	28	3	8	1	..	12	8	24		92	53	18	270	76†	40†	60.3‡	0.75‡	39.5‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 28

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 18th July 1953

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 18th July 1953, the births of 852 living children, and of 25 still-born children, 574 marriages and 504 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.2 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 11.6 and the death-rate 10.2. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 29 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.4 less than in the previous week, and 0.6 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.1 more than in the previous week, but 0.4 below the average. The death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, but 0.4 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 16.1 in Kilmarnock and 13.7 in Kirkcaldy to 8.3 in Airdrie and 4.6 in Clydebank. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Greenock 13.6 and in Perth 12.9. In Glasgow the rate was 9.5 and in Edinburgh 10.9.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1, and are 1 fewer than in the previous week. The death registered was from whooping cough.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 17, of which 16 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 2 more than in the previous week, and the latter 3 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 26, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.5 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 18, being 13 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 11 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days.

Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 285, and are the same as in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 25, and are the same as in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 14th July 1953, was 10,075. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 57.1° being 0.9° below that for the previous week, and 1.5° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.55 inches, and the mean sunshine 17.0 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 28 **Week ended SATURDAY, July 18th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	4	..	6	2	1	..	..	..	3
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	3	..	..	..	5	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	1
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	4	3	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	6	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	9	..	9	1	..	..	..	..	17
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Perth and Kinross C.																													

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	68	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	15	..	18	1	..	..	..	..	92
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	5	2	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	68	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	22	..	32	4	..	..	..	..	94
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	18
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	1	2	..	..	1	8	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	11	..	..	..	..	8	..	13	5	..	..	..	..	44
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	14
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Glasgow B.	9	2	..	3	1	20	..	2	..	..	1	10	..	..	1	43	..	2	1	1	19	..	41	6	..	..	..	..	96
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	13
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2
Greenock B.	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
Paisley B.	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	5
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	5
Falkirk B.	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	12	8	..	3	2	53	..	8	..	..	4	40	..	..	2	72	4	3	2	1	65	..	76	15	1	..	..	..	229
GRAND TOTAL	17	12	..	4	2	67	..	12	1	..	7	117	2	..	2	88	8	3	2	1	118	..	133	23	3	..	..	..	350

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 28

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 18, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 14, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 14th July 1953. **
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	349	255	202	24	20	198	9.5	11	4	..	9	1	3	1	1	8	7	7	5	43	23	10	100	66	43	56.6	1.53	15.9	2,731
2. Edinburgh	474,500	144	67	104	17	12	99	10.9	2	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	1	1	3	25	20	4	60	67	46	57.1	3.05	24.8	729
3. Aberdeen	183,800	57	72	41	9	1	33	9.4	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	8	6	1	18	64	49	56.5	1.10	16.9	380
4. Dundee	178,300	71	27	32	6	4	30	8.8	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	6	4	3	23	70	45	58.0	1.06	18.9	502
5. Paisley	94,400	24	19	25	6	1	20	11.0	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	7	..	1	14	68	45	57.7	1.67	13.7	226
6. Greenock	76,700	34	4	20	2	2	20	13.6	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	5	2	9	67	46	56.7	0.94	13.7	198
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	22	22	12	1	3	14	10.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	3	2	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	334
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	20	26	12	..	1	13	13.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	3	3	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	122
9. Coatbridge	49,200	19	10	8	..	3	11	11.7	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	167
10. Dunfermline	45,200	10	19	10	3	3	10	11.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	4	67	45	57.5	2.21	16.7	181
11. Clydebank	45,700	31	3	3	1	2	4	4.6	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	122
12. Ayr	43,200	13	8	9	2	1	8	9.7	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	1	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	204
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	13	3	12	3	4	13	16.1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	3	1	1	5	65	42	55.6	1.06	16.9	150
14. Perth	40,300	12	13	12	3	1	10	12.9	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	3	1	7	70	48	58.6	1.30	15.9	101
15. Hamilton	41,100	14	14	7	..	1	8	10.2	..	1	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	285
16. Falkirk	37,100	7	4	14	6	..	8	11.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	109
17. Airdrie	31,400	12	8	4	..	1	5	8.3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	136
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended July 18, 1953	2,588,300	852	574	527	83	60	504	10.2	25	11	1	18	2	6	1	1	17	16	13	13	109	74	25	285	70†	42†	57.1‡	1.55‡	17.0‡	
July 11, 1953	2,588,300	921	521	529	83	63	509	10.3	23	22	2	31	6	6	2	2	15	13	9	11	109	56	25	285	68†	44†	58.0‡	1.45‡	29.8‡	
July 19, 1952	2,577,500‖	814	553	471	74	50	447	9.1	23	14	..	19	1	3	1	1	16	13	17		89	51	19	239	72†	39†	54.4‡	0.90‡	26.6‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by those offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December, 1951. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Influenza, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 29

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 25th July 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 25th July 1953, the births of 967 living children, and of 19 still-born children, 923 marriages and 513 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 19.5 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 18.6 and the death rate 10.3. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 19 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 2.3 more than in the previous week, and 0.5 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 7.0 more than in the previous week, and 2.5 above the average. The death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but 0.2 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 18.1 in Perth and 12.6 in Falkirk to 5.7 in Clydebank and 4.5 in Motherwell and Wishaw. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Aberdeen 11.9 and in Dunfermline 11.5. In Glasgow the rate was 11.0 and in Edinburgh 9.8.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1, and are the same as in the previous week. The death registered was from meningococcal infections.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 10, of which 8 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 7 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 8 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 26, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.5 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 24, being 6 more than in the previous week. Of these, 15 were aged 0–6 days and 4 were aged 7–27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 309, and are 24 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 17, and are 8 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 21st July 1953, was 9,781. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 58.1° being 1.0° above that for the previous week, but 1.0° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901–1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.05 inches, and the mean sunshine 26.3 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 29 **Week ended SATURDAY, July 25th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	5	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	8	3	1	..	..	2	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	6
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	1	1	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	6	1	..	..	9	..	1	..	..	5	..	9	1	..	..	..	..	6
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	6	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	6
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6

Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	3	67	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	9	..	13	2	..	..	..	..	79
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	1	10	..	2	..	..	3	67	..	..	1	3	..	1	..	..	21	..	18	4	..	..	..	..	97
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	5	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	22
Ayr B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	7
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	10	..	6	3	..	..	..	..	36
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Coatbridge B.	2	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	12
Glasgow B.	8	..	..	2	5	44	..	3	..	..	1	9	..	..	..	74	..	2	3	2	20	..	42	3	..	..	..	..	71
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	3
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	17
Paisley B.	..	1	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	6
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	3
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	11	9	..	2	7	73	..	11	..	..	1	23	..	..	1	90	4	6	3	2	63	..	81	10	1	..	..	..	199
GRAND TOTAL	12	15	..	2	8	88	..	15	1	..	5	97	1	..	2	122	9	9	3	2	113	..	129	18	1	..	..	..	320

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 29

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 25, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 21, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 21st July 1953. **
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow .	1,086,800	447	517	234	26	22	230	11.0	9	8	2	11	3	2	..	1	7	6	4	7	43	28	5	128	67	51	57.9	1.16	22.7	2,274
2. Edinburgh	474,500	159	78	114	26	1	89	9.8	4	2	..	4	1	2	1	..	1	1	2	2	14	17	4	59	67	51	58.6	0.47	37.9	759
3. Aberdeen .	183,800	70	43	57	16	1	42	11.9	1	2	..	3	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	4	9	5	2	29	65	44	56.1	0.49	31.5	378
4. Dundee .	178,300	72	98	40	4	1	37	10.8	1	..	2	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	8	3	4	22	66	49	57.9	0.72	19.7	433
5. Paisley .	94,400	25	13	13	2	2	13	7.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	7	67	53	58.9	1.10	22.7	267
6. Greenock .	76,700	25	14	22	8	..	14	9.5	..	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	2	..	5	66	52	58.4	2.24	25.8	231
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	26	19	6	1	1	6	4.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	319
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	15	21	9	3	4	10	10.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	167
9. Coatbridge	49,200	24	31	6	..	2	8	8.5	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	228
10. Dunfermline	45,200	13	11	12	4	2	10	11.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	..	4	66	51	58.0	1.18	24.7	159
11. Clydebank	45,700	22	7	2	..	3	5	5.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	123
12. Ayr . .	43,200	10	7	10	3	1	8	9.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	219
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	13	4	9	3	1	7	8.7	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	66	51	58.1	1.12	27.5	141
14. Perth .	40,300	10	11	13	2	3	14	18.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	11	68	49	59.0	0.96	24.3	107
15. Hamilton .	41,100	14	22	4	2	3	5	6.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	290
16. Falkirk .	37,100	8	8	10	2	1	9	12.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	159
17. Airdrie .	31,400	14	19	4	..	2	6	10.0	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	119
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended July 25, 1953 .	2,588,300	967	923	565	102	50	513	10.3	19	15	4	24	8	6	1	1	10	8	10	16	93	69	17	309	68†	44†	58.1‡	1.05‡	26.3‡	
July 18, 1953 .	2,588,300	852	574	527	83	60	504	10.2	25	11	1	18	2	6	1	1	17	16	13	13	109	74	25	285	70†	42†	57.1‡	1 55‡	17.0‡	
July 26, 1952	2,577,500‖	898	780	550	86	59	523	10.6	29	7	1	15	4	3	2	3	17	16	21		112	53	29	315	79†	45†	62.3‡	0.15‡	56.4‡	

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BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
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NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 1st August 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 1st August 1953, the births of 921 living children, and of 23 still-born children, 438 marriages and 455 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.6 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 8.8 and the death rate 9.2. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 24 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.9 less than in the previous week, but 1.0 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 9.8 less than in the previous week, and 2.2 below the average. The death-rate is 1.1 less than in the previous week, and 1.1 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 15.7 in Ayr and 15.0 in Dunfermline to 3.3 in Airdrie and 2.6 in Perth. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Clydebank 13.7 and in Kirkcaldy 11.6. In Glasgow the rate was 8.4 and in Edinburgh 11.0.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week 1 death was registered. There was 1 death from anterior poliomyelitis.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 11, of which 10 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 more than in the previous week, and the latter 2 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 15, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.3 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 0.3 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 24, being the same as in the previous week. Of these, 15 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 259, and are 50 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 23, and are 6 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 28th July 1953, was 8,921. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 57.0° being 1.1° below that for the previous week, and 0.9° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.70 inch, and the mean sunshine 41.6 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 30 — **Week ended SATURDAY, August 1st, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	3
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	1	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	2	3	..	1	5	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	3
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	2
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	2	2	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	14	1	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	4
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	13
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.		2				5						1																	

Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	5
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	5	..	..	..	44	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	5	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	2
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	11	3	..	..	..	..	84
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	1	..	..	..	..	15	..	5	..	..	..	44	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	4	..	6	3	..	..	..	..	5
Western Area.—																6	..	2	..	..	15	..	28	6	..	..	..	..	100
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	6	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	6
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	10	..	2	..	..	10	..	8	6	..	..	..	..	33
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	8
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	6
Glasgow B.	8	..	..	3	4	34	..	3	..	..	1	4	1	..	..	49	..	3	2	2	19	..	41	6	..	..	1	..	104
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	3	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	16
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	4	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	6
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	11
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	6
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	4
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Total	8	4	..	3	6	55	..	7	..	..	1	22	3	..	..	75	4	8	2	2	59	..	84	18	..	..	2	..	242
Grand Total	12	9	..	3	6	84	..	16	1	..	3	83	4	..	..	93	6	13	2	3	97	..	129	32	..	..	2	..	369

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 30

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 1, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 28, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	7-27 days	Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Congenital Malformations	Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Tuberculosis: All Forms	Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Pneumonia	Other Respiratory Diseases	Malignant Neoplasms	Coronary Thrombosis	Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Absolute Lowest	Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 28th July 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	417	134	175	13	14	176	8.4	9	6	1	10	5	1	..	..	6	6	3	7	33	20	8	94	68	45	56.8	1.00	41.5	2,286
2. Edinburgh	474,500	130	89	109	11	2	100	11.0	6	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	2	2	1	25	18	4	62	67	48	56.8	0.51	46.4	887
3. Aberdeen	183,800	58	31	43	15	2	30	8.5	2	2	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	7	5	1	21	63	45	54.8	1.18	38.5	418
4. Dundee	178,300	55	64	33	2	2	33	9.6	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	9	6	4	17	68	48	57.5	0.45	35.7	329
5. Paisley	94,400	35	30	12	4	1	9	5.0	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	5	70	45	58.3	0.55	46.2	234
6. Greenock	76,700	37	14	16	2	..	14	9.5	1	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	3	7	68	48	57.1	1.13	45.7	321
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	30	8	11	2	4	13	9.8	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	219
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	26	8	12	1	..	11	11.6	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	6	..	..	..	..	..	82
9. Coatbridge	49,200	26	1	8	..	2	10	10.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	4	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	116
10. Dunfermline	45,200	15	6	12	2	3	13	15.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	..	7	67	44	56.4	0.24	35.6	112
11. Clydebank	45,700	13	4	7	..	5	12	13.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	174
12. Ayr	43,200	14	6	15	5	3	13	15.7	..	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	3	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	145
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	12	19	9	4	..	5	6.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	67	44	57.1	0.53	57.0	122
14. Perth	40,300	11	10	3	2	1	2	2.6	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	70	45	57.9	0.72	27.6	128
15. Hamilton	41,100	18	7	1	..	3	4	5.1	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	204
16. Falkirk	37,100	9	4	8	2	2	8	11.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	143
17. Airdrie	31,400	15	3	1	..	1	2	3.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	79
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
Aug. 1, 1953	2,588,300	921	438	475	65	45	455	9.2	23	15	1	24	5	7	1	..	11	10	6	9	97	62	23	259	70†	44†	57.0‡	0.70‡	41.6‡	
July 25, 1953	2,588,300	967	923	565	102	50	513	10.3	19	15	4	24	8	6	1	1	10	8	10	16	93	69	17	309	68†	44†	58.1‡	1.05‡	26.3‡	
Aug. 2, 1952	2,577,500‖	888	493	477	81	44	440	8.9	23	14	1	23	4	5	5	..	12	9	18		97	48	17	259	75†	42†	57.4‡	0.73‡	40.2‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 8th August 1953

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 8th August 1953, the births of 872 living children, and of 28 still-born children, 528 marriages and 502 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.6 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 10.6 and the death rate 10.1. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 31 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.0 less than in the previous week, and 0.1 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.8 more than in the previous week, but 0.2 below the average. The death-rate is 0.9 more than in the previous week, and 0.4 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 13.3 in Airdrie and 12.9 in Greenock to 7.2 in Ayr and 5.8 in Dunfermline. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Kilmarnock 12.4 and in Paisley 11.6. In Glasgow the rate was 10.1 and in Edinburgh 9.9.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week there were also no deaths from these causes.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 12, of which 11 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 more than in the previous week, and the latter 1 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 22, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.4 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 24, being the same as in the previous week. Of these, 14 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 302, and are 43 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 29, and are 6 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 4th August 1953, was 8,994. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 61.1° being 4.1° above that for the previous week, and 3.1° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.16 inch, and the mean sunshine 39.9 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 31 — **Week ended SATURDAY, August 8th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	8	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	15
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
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Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	1
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dundee B.	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	1
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	10	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	16
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5

Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	5
Edinburgh B.	1	..	..	..	..	11	..	1	..	..	..	21	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	7	..	12	1	..	..	..	..	78
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Roxburgh C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	10
TOTAL	2	..	..	..	..	11	..	1	..	..	..	21	..	..	..	2	1	3	..	..	14	..	15	2	..	..	..	..	107
WESTERN AREA.—																													
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Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clydebank B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	9
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	..	1	..	..	15	..	7	3	..	..	..	..	41
Airdrie B.	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	8
Glasgow B.	3	1	..	1	4	32	..	2	..	..	1	7	4	..	1	58	..	5	5	4	16	..	43	10	..	..	1	..	120
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	5
Renfrew C.	..	1	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Greenock B.	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	18
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	4
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	7
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	5	5	..	1	4	56	..	5	1	..	2	14	4	..	3	89	2	9	5	4	61	..	74	17	..	..	1	..	281
GRAND TOTAL	9	7	..	1	4	74	..	10	5	..	4	43	5	..	4	106	4	15	5	5	107	..	109	25	1	..	1	..	430

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 31

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 8, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 4, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 4th August 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	392	208	215	26	22	211	10.1	14	8	2	14	1	6	1	..	5	4	6	6	40	25	10	123	79	46	61.6	0.21	42.5	2,398
2. Edinburgh	474,500	135	98	108	21	3	90	9.9	4	1	1	3	..	1	..	..	2	2	4	1	14	15	9	64	73	49	61.1	0.05	44.0	845
3. Aberdeen	183,800	61	41	46	12	1	35	9.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	7	3	21	72	46	58.6	0.27	37.8	480
4. Dundee	178,300	69	31	42	7	3	38	11.1	1	3	..	4	2	1	..	..	2	2	1	..	10	2	2	24	74	48	60.6	0.08	46.2	246
5. Paisley	94,400	33	31	24	4	1	21	11.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	8	3	2	10	79	49	62.8	0.16	42.7	196
6. Greenock	76,700	30	11	18	3	4	19	12.9	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	12	77	49	62.6	0.30	38.1	273
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	19	16	9	2	4	11	8.3	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	2	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	232
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	16	12	9	2	1	8	8.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	130
9. Coatbridge	49,200	13	6	9	3	4	10	10.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	161
10. Dunfermline	45,200	23	5	7	3	1	5	5.8	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	77	47	61.1	0.14	34.7	136
11. Clydebank	45,700	17	9	6	..	3	9	10.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	157
12. Ayr	43,200	13	10	8	2	..	6	7.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	140
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	15	12	13	4	1	10	12.4	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	5	74	45	59.8	0.13	38.5	104
14. Perth	40,300	14	9	11	6	1	6	7.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	4	78	45	61.4	0.08	34.5	110
15. Hamilton	41,100	7	10	9	3	2	8	10.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	241
16. Falkirk	37,100	9	12	8	2	1	7	9.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	139
17. Airdrie	31,400	6	7	7	1	2	8	13.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	83
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Aug. 8, 1953	2,588,300	872	528	549	101	54	502	10.1	28	14	3	24	5	8	2	..	12	11	14	8	100	64	29	302	79†	45†	61.1‡	0.16‡	39.9‡	
Aug. 1, 1953	2,588,300	921	438	475	65	45	455	9.2	23	15	1	24	5	7	1	..	11	10	6	9	97	62	23	259	70†	44†	57.0‡	0.70‡	41.6‡	
Aug. 9, 1952	2,577,500	916	536	516	83	45	478	9.7	14	11	4	23	4	7	1	..	16	14	19		114	61	24	286	71†	44†	57.0‡	2.48‡	18.9‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward [illegible] Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 32

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

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Week ended Saturday, 15th August 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 15th August 1953, the births of 857 living children, and of 20 still-born children, 396 marriages and 483 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.3 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 8.0 and the death-rate 9.7. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 23 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.3 less than in the previous week, and 0.7 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 2.6 less than in the previous week, and 2.4 below the average. The death-rate is 0.4 less than in the previous week, and 0.3 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 19.4 in Perth and 18.6 in Kilmarnock to 6.1 in Paisley and 1.3 in Hamilton. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Airdrie 14.9 and in Clydebank 14.8. In Glasgow the rate was 10.8 and in Edinburgh 9.1.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1, and are 1 more than in the previous week. The death registered was from whooping-cough. There was also 1 death from acute poliomyelitis.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 11, all of which were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter the same.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 34, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.7 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.3 more than in the previous week, and 0.1 above the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 33, being 9 more than in the previous week. Of these, 27 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 252, and are 50 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 23, and are 6 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 11th August 1953, was 11,597. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 61.0° being 0.1° below that for the previous week, but 2.6° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.37 inch, and the mean sunshine 31.4 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 32 — **Week ended SATURDAY, August 15th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Inverness C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
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Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	1	1	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	2
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Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
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EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	4	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	7	..	5	2	..	..	..	..	..
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	6	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	9
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	3
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	6	..	19	2	..	..	..	..	57
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	5
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	1	19	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	12	..	26	2	..	..	..	..	72
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Ayr C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	17
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	9
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	6	2	..	8	..	10	2	..	..	..	..	24
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Glasgow B.	8	5	..	7	1	33	..	4	..	..	1	2	2	..	1	56	..	3	8	1	27	..	30	5	..	..	..	..	87
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	10
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	8
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	10
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	10	6	..	8	3	42	..	4	..	..	2	4	4	..	1	84	7	11	11	2	67	..	69	9	..	..	..	..	204
GRAND TOTAL	16	6	..	8	3	65	..	9	2	..	5	24	9	..	1	104	12	17	12	5	109	..	124	18	..	..	..	..	303

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 32

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 15, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 11, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 11th August 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	371	164	231	28	23	226	10.8	7	15	1	18	3	..	..	1	6	6	8	9	32	31	9	114	72	50	61.1	0.30	29.9	3,549
2. Edinburgh	474,500	137	86	100	20	3	83	9.1	4	4	..	4	1	1	..	..	3	3	4	3	21	9	6	45	76	52	61.2	0.47	32.7	889
3. Aberdeen	183,800	67	39	35	12	..	23	6.5	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	3	1	11	71	46	58.3	0.54	27.2	523
4. Dundee	178,300	64	19	26	3	2	25	7.3	1	2	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	1	8	4	1	12	72	49	61.0	0.41	29.1	367
5. Paisley	94,400	26	7	18	9	2	11	6.1	..	1	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	6	73	53	61.9	0.31	33.9	220
6. Greenock	76,700	33	12	15	4	1	12	8.2	1	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	8	71	52	60.7	0.70	35.7	305
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	19	13	11	2	3	12	9.1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	444
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	13	5	10	4	4	10	10.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	168
9. Coatbridge	49,200	20	5	3	..	3	6	6.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	217
10. Dunfermline	45,200	9	11	9	3	1	7	8.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	2	1	..	4	74	49	60.9	0.13	26.5	190
11. Clydebank	45,700	20	5	6	..	7	13	14.8	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	193
12. Ayr	43,200	9	7	8	1	1	8	9.7	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	215
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	11	2	11	5	9	15	18.6	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	3	1	8	75	48	61.6	0.42	37.5	75
14. Perth	40,300	15	10	16	4	3	15	19.4	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	3	4	..	11	73	47	62.1	0.09	30.1	143
15. Hamilton	41,100	17	5	3	2	..	1	1.3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	401
16. Falkirk	37,100	13	3	10	3	..	7	9.8	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	149
17. Airdrie	31,400	13	3	8	2	3	9	14.9	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	132
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Aug. 15, 1953	2,588,300	857	396	520	102	65	483	9.7	20	27	2	33	5	6	..	1	11	11	17	17	90	65	23	252	76†	46†	61.0‡	0.37‡	31.4‡	
Aug. 8, 1953	2,588,300	872	528	549	101	54	502	10.1	28	14	3	24	5	8	2	..	12	11	14	8	100	64	29	302	79†	45†	61.1‡	0.16‡	39.9‡	
Aug. 16, 1952	2,577,500‖	838	400	525	80	56	501	10.2	21	18	1	25	8	4	2	..	16	13	19		122	64	18	288	72†	49†	60.0‡	0.62‡	30.6‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 33

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 22nd August 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 22nd August 1953, the births of 820 living children, and of 16 still-born children, 440 marriages and 481 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 16.5 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 8.9 and the death-rate 9.7. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 19 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.8 less than in the previous week, and 0.7 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.9 more than in the previous week, and 0.6 above the average. The death-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.5 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 15.7 in Ayr and 11.9 in Aberdeen to 5.8 in Dunfermline and 5.0 in Airdrie and Kilmarnock. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Greenock 11.6 and in Perth 10.3. In Glasgow the rate was 9.7 and in Edinburgh 10.1.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2, and are 1 more than in the previous week. The deaths registered were from whooping-cough. There was also 1 death from dysentery.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 16, of which 13 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 5 more than in the previous week, and the latter 2 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 27, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.5 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 27, being 6 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 14 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 264, and are 12 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 23, and are the same as in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 18th August 1953, was 11,358. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 56.5° being 4.5° below that for the previous week, and 1.1° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.88 inch, and the mean sunshine 31.6 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 33 — **Week ended SATURDAY, August 22nd, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	13
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	4	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	1	7	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	1
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	3	..	..	..	3	4	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	7	3	..	..	..	..	2
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	7	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	8
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.						1		1	1												2								

Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	7	1	..	..	..	..	2
Edinburgh B.	1	..	..	..	..	9	..	3	..	..	2	12	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	6	..	9	1	..	..	..	..	86
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2
West Lothian C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
TOTAL	2	..	..	..	..	9	..	3	..	..	2	12	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	1	13	..	19	3	..	..	..	..	106
WESTERN AREA.—																														
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	7
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	7	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	9
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	2	..	..	3	..	9	4	1	..	..	..	29
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	4
Glasgow B.	6	3	..	1	2	42	..	4	..	..	1	3	3	..	..	38	..	5	4	3	24	..	40	8	..	..	..	..	121
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	4
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Greenock B.	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	4
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	7
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	8	9	..	1	4	51	..	8	..	..	2	9	3	..	..	63	2	7	4	3	59	..	86	17	1	..	..	..	219
GRAND TOTAL	10	9	..	1	4	68	..	16	1	..	5	24	7	..	..	75	3	11	4	6	99	..	137	25	1	..	..	..	356

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 33

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 22, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 18, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 18th August 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	357	194	223	32	11	202	9.7	6	7	1	16	..	3	1	2	7	6	9	5	46	16	6	102	67	46	56.9	0.80	27.5	3,246
2. Edinburgh	474,500	127	87	102	14	4	92	10.1	5	2	..	3	1	..	..	..	2	1	3	..	28	10	7	60	67	48	56.9	0.39	39.6	849
3. Aberdeen	183,800	60	37	48	9	3	42	11.9	..	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	2	2	..	1	8	3	5	21	65	44	54.1	0.90	36.5	504
4. Dundee	178,300	42	23	32	5	5	32	9.4	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	6	4	1	21	70	46	56.6	0.73	35.8	543
5. Paisley	94,400	27	6	17	3	3	17	9.4	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	6	..	..	12	70	49	57.7	0.86	24.6	198
6. Greenock	76,700	28	10	17	3	3	17	11.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	3	2	2	10	65	50	56.6	1.73	25.6	338
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	27	7	6	..	7	13	9.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	2	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	342
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	19	8	5	1	2	6	6.3	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	147
9. Coatbridge	49,200	24	10	6	2	3	7	7.4	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	233
10. Dunfermline	45,200	8	8	10	5	..	5	5.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	4	68	46	56.3	0.62	27.8	180
11. Clydebank	45,700	20	6	4	1	4	7	8.0	1	2	..	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	190
12. Ayr	43,200	14	7	12	2	3	13	15.7	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	193
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	9	4	4	1	1	4	5.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	67	48	57.5	1.03	33.6	121
14. Perth	40,300	14	11	10	3	1	8	10.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	68	43	56.1	0.82	33.3	135
15. Hamilton	41,100	20	10	7	4	3	6	7.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	337
16. Falkirk	37,100	11	7	8	2	1	7	9.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	153
17. Airdrie	31,400	13	5	2	..	1	3	5.0	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	110
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
Aug. 22, 1953	2,588,300	820	440	513	87	55	481	9.7	16	14	3	27	2	10	2	2	16	13	16	11	111	42	23	264	70†	43†	56.5‡	0.88‡	31.6‡	
Aug. 15, 1953	2,588,300	857	396	520	102	65	483	9.7	20	27	2	33	5	6	..	1	11	11	17	17	90	65	23	252	76†	46†	61.0‡	0.37‡	31.4‡	
Aug. 23, 1952	2,577,500‖	807	486	533	90	43	486	9.9	32	20	4	31	7	9	..	1	13	12	22		104	71	18	284	74†	42†	55.9‡	0.03‡	28.0‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 34

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

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Week ended Saturday, 29th August 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 29th August 1953, the births of 855 living children, and of 22 still-born children, 430 marriages and 502 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.2 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 8.7 and the death-rate 10.1. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 25 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.7 more than in the previous week, but 0.1 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 0.7 below the average. The death-rate is 0.4 more than in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 18.6 in Kilmarnock and 14.3 in Greenock to 6.4 in Coatbridge and 5.8 in Dunfermline. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Airdrie 13.3 and in Hamilton 12.7. In Glasgow the rate was 10.5 and in Edinburgh 9.1.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 3, and are 1 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from whooping-cough and 2 from meningococcal infections.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 10, of which 6 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 6 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 7 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 25, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.5 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 25, being 2 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 20 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 303, and are 39 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 25, and are 2 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 25th August 1953, was 12,136. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 56.1° being 0.4° below that for the previous week, and 0.6° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.58 inch, and the mean sunshine 34.2 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 34 **Week ended SATURDAY, August 29th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	4
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	7
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	3
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	1	..	..	1	1	..	6	2	..	..	..	..	4
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	3	2	..	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	5	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	7
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	14	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	12
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kirkcaldy B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	6	3	..	..	..	..	18

Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	9	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	77
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	7	2	..	..	..	..	14
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	13	..	20	3	..	..	..	..	107
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	19
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	9
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	1	..	1	5	..	8	2	..	..	..	..	20
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Glasgow B.	5	27	..	6	4	47	..	9	..	..	..	16	1	..	1	39	..	4	4	2	26	..	44	1	..	..	..	..	192
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	2	4	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	9
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	3
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	10
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	8	31	..	6	7	59	..	12	..	..	1	24	1	..	1	75	1	7	4	6	67	..	80	9	..	..	..	..	298
GRAND TOTAL	11	34	..	6	7	76	..	16	..	..	2	36	2	..	1	100	3	10	4	10	115	..	127	22	..	..	..	..	457

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 34

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 29, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED AUGUST 25, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 25th August 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	380	173	238	31	12	219	10.5	9	12	1	15	3	1	1	1	3	3	3	4	42	25	12	128	67	41	55.9	0.84	31.3	3,369
2. Edinburgh	474,500	147	88	91	10	2	83	9.1	2	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	1	..	5	4	13	13	4	57	65	47	56.6	0.43	44.0	901
3. Aberdeen	183,800	67	39	49	16	3	36	10.2	3	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	1	11	5	1	19	65	43	54.8	0.68	42.9	490
4. Dundee	178,300	54	25	34	4	2	32	9.4	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	6	6	1	20	66	43	56.3	0.20	36.9	543
5. Paisley	94,400	22	9	18	3	3	18	9.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	3	4	1	9	64	43	57.1	0.80	25.5	339
6. Greenock	76,700	26	16	21	4	4	21	14.3	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	5	3	1	12	64	46	56.4	0.93	29.6	336
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	21	13	9	3	3	9	6.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	382
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	12	10	15	5	1	11	11.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	159
9. Coatbridge	49,200	17	7	5	..	1	6	6.4	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	219
10. Dunfermline	45,200	14	9	10	5	..	5	5.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	66	42	56.1	0.45	38.4	191
11. Clydebank	45,700	18	2	6	3	5	8	9.1	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	183
12. Ayr	43,200	11	6	10	4	..	6	7.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	212
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	23	2	16	2	1	15	18.6	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	9	65	42	55.6	0.67	33.1	148
14. Perth	40,300	7	13	9	2	..	7	9.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	1	1	..	5	67	35	56.1	0.22	26.4	115
15. Hamilton	41,100	13	8	5	1	6	10	12.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	335
16. Falkirk	37,100	13	6	8	..	..	8	11.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	145
17. Airdrie	31,400	10	4	7	..	1	8	13.3	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	147
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Aug. 29, 1953	2,588,300	855	430	551	93	44	502	10.1	22	20	1	25	4	2	1	3	10	6	13	12	98	68	25	303	67†	35†	56.1‡	0.58‡	34.2‡	
Aug. 22, 1953	2,588,300	820	440	513	87	55	481	9.7	16	14	3	27	2	10	2	2	16	13	16	11	111	42	23	264	70†	43†	56.5‡	0.88‡	31.6‡	
Aug. 30, 1952	2,577,500‖	757	364	514	84	45	475	9.6	22	15	2	26	5	2	1	..	14	11	20		100	65	22	277	72†	38†	57.8‡	0.47‡	34.1‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

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No. 35

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 5th September 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 5th September 1953, the births of 786 living children, and of 30 still-born children, 499 marriages and 490 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 15.8 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 10.1 and the death-rate 9.9. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 37 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.4 less than in the previous week, and 0.6 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.4 more than in the previous week, and 0.9 above the average. The death-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 0.5 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 15.2 in Hamilton and 15.0 in Dunfermline to 7.4 in Kirkcaldy, Coatbridge and Kilmarnock and 5.0 in Airdrie. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Clydebank 14.8 and in Falkirk 12.6. In Glasgow the rate was 10.5 and in Edinburgh 8.5.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1, and are 2 fewer than in the previous week. The death registered was from scarlet fever (streptococcal sore throat). There was also 1 death from acute poliomyelitis.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 9, of which 8 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 fewer than in the previous week, but the latter 2 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 29, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.6 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 22, being 3 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 13 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 305, and are 2 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 27, and are 2 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 1st September 1953, was 12,342. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 55.9° being 0.2° below that for the previous week, and 0.1° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.35 inches, and the mean sunshine 24.7 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 35 **Week ended SATURDAY, September 5th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	8
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	11	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	8
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	2	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	3	3	..	1	3	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	..
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	..	4	..	..	..	8	..	1	..	..	..	3	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	5
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	13	..	7	1	..	..	..	..	24
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.		2					1														1		2						

Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	6	..	6	1	..	..	1	..	48
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	2	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	4	1	5	..	..	14	..	20	3	..	..	1	..	63
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	7
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	2	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	23
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	9
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Lanark C.	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	6	..	4	..	..	8	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	20
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	21
Glasgow B.	5	30	..	2	5	53	..	3	..	..	..	12	1	..	1	58	..	6	6	2	21	..	42	6	1	..	2	..	289
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	7	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	5
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	2
Greenock B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	4
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	5
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	6	31	..	2	5	74	..	12	1	..	..	14	2	..	4	83	6	18	6	3	73	..	83	10	1	..	2	..	413
GRAND TOTAL	6	37	..	2	6	94	1	16	1	..	2	30	4	..	6	103	10	26	6	5	123	..	131	19	1	..	3	..	516

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No. 35

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 5, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 1, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 1st Sept. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow .	1,086,800	334	213	228	30	20	218	10.5	17	6	1	9	1	1	..	..	5	4	6	6	42	28	13	141	66	44	55.4	1.84	19.1	3,565
2. Edinburgh	474,500	115	87	88	16	5	77	8.5	2	2	..	4	1	1	..	..	1	1	2	4	15	10	7	47	67	47	55.8	0.76	38.2	961
3. Aberdeen .	183,800	58	43	43	10	1	34	9.6	2	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	6	8	2	21	67	41	55.0	0.33	29.2	530
4. Dundee .	178,300	54	31	39	5	3	37	10.8	4	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	2	11	7	..	25	65	46	56.2	0.87	31.0	503
5. Paisley .	94,400	37	16	16	5	3	14	7.7	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	1	1	8	68	47	56.6	2.02	17.1	303
6. Greenock .	76,700	23	13	19	3	1	17	11.6	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	5	..	9	64	45	55.6	2.51	19.7	317
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	25	13	8	1	3	10	7.5	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	371
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	12	11	8	2	1	7	7.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	170
9. Coatbridge	49,200	24	4	5	1	3	7	7.4	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	198
10. Dunfermline	45,200	12	9	14	2	1	13	15.0	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	2	..	6	65	43	55.7	1.26	18.6	210
11. Clydebank	45,700	12	7	9	2	6	13	14.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	3	..	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	194
12. Ayr . .	43,200	14	7	9	2	..	7	8.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	189
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	13	14	6	3	3	6	7.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	4	67	46	57.1	1.53	22.7	172
14. Perth .	40,300	11	9	2	1	5	6	7.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	4	65	45	55.9	1.06	26.7	135
15. Hamilton .	41,100	15	8	9	1	4	12	15.2	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	366
16. Falkirk .	37,100	16	8	13	4	..	9	12.6	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	148
17. Airdrie .	31,400	11	6	2	..	1	3	5.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	127
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Sept. 5, 1953 .	2,588,300	786	499	518	88	60	490	9.9	30	13	2	22	4	5	..	1	9	8	17	12	99	67	27	305	68†	41†	55.9‡	1.35‡	24.7‡	
Aug. 29, 1953 .	2,588,300	855	430	551	93	44	502	10.1	22	20	1	25	4	2	1	3	10	6	13	12	98	68	25	303	67†	35†	56.1‡	0.58‡	34.2‡	
Sept. 6, 1952 .	2,577,500‖	811	537	545	83	50	512	10.4	20	11	..	20	5	2	2	..	11	10	16		105	54	33	313	68†	31†	53.3‡	0.59‡	37.6‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 36

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 12th September 1953

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 12th September 1953, the births of 787 living children, and of 21 still-born children, 517 marriages and 519 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 15.9 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 10.4 and the death-rate 10.5. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 26 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but 0.6 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.3 more than in the previous week, but 1.1 below the average. The death-rate is 0.6 more than in the previous week, and 0.3 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 17.0 in Greenock and 14.9 in Kilmarnock to 7.4 in Kirkcaldy and 6.1 in Paisley. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Ayr 14.5 and in Falkirk 14.0. In Glasgow the rate was 9.8 and in Edinburgh 11.3.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week 1 death was registered.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 17, of which 15 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 8 more than in the previous week, and the latter 7 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 30, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.6 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, and the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 21, being 1 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 11 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 329, and are 24 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 26, and are 1 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 8th September 1953, was 13,142. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 59.3° being 3.4° above that for the previous week, and 3.6° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.04 inch, and the mean sunshine 42.5 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 36 **Week ended SATURDAY, September 12th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	7	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	6
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	4	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	2	..	5	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	3	2	2	..	9	..	13	4	..	..	..	..	1
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dundee B.	1	10	..	..	..	9	..	1	..	..	..	3	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	11	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	18
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kirkcaldy B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	7
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..

Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	1	..	..	1	6	..	..	..	3	..	1	1	..	8	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	33
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	1	..	..	1	6	..	..	..	3	2	1	2	..	17	..	10	1	..	..	..	..	58
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	1	..	..	7	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	5
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	1	..	..	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	10	..	4	..	..	11	..	10	3	..	..	..	..	24
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Glasgow B.	14	34	..	4	4	68	..	2	..	..	..	17	1	..	..	78	..	4	5	6	29	..	35	3	..	..	1	..	166
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	5	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	7
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	9
Renfrew C.	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1
Greenock B.	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	8
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	5
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	17	39	..	4	5	98	..	6	..	..	1	20	2	..	..	115	2	16	5	6	79	..	73	12	..	..	1	..	246
GRAND TOTAL	18	49	..	4	5	126	..	9	2	..	3	35	4	..	..	138	7	20	9	6	132	..	111	20	..	..	1	..	344

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 36

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 12, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 8, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 8th Sept. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	369	208	213	20	12	205	9.8	11	4	..	8	2	..	1	..	9	9	6	7	48	30	11	126	73	47	58.3	0.00	32.6	3,976
2. Edinburgh	474,500	123	102	118	21	6	103	11.3	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	1	2	2	22	19	3	67	73	48	59.5	..	43.3	1,043
3. Aberdeen	183,800	45	41	46	9	4	41	11.6	1	1	..	1	..	2	..	..	1	..	3	1	9	4	3	32	77	45	59.4	0.26	59.8	466
4. Dundee	178,300	59	27	33	7	4	30	8.8	2	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	5	6	3	19	77	49	60.9	0.00	54.5	495
5. Paisley	94,400	19	29	15	6	2	11	6.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	2	1	9	74	50	60.1	0.07	33.2	340
6. Greenock	76,700	30	17	27	2	..	25	17.0	..	1	1	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	5	2	..	16	68	52	58.1	0.02	32.4	366
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	19	10	12	2	4	14	10.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	3	1	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	473
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	12	12	6	1	2	7	7.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	166
9. Coatbridge	49,200	14	7	8	..	1	9	9.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	2	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	278
10. Dunfermline	45,200	16	6	13	4	1	10	11.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	4	73	46	59.1	0.01	40.0	201
11. Clydebank	45,700	15	6	8	1	..	7	8.0	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	213
12. Ayr	43,200	7	12	17	6	1	12	14.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	239
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	14	9	12	2	2	12	14.9	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	4	1	..	6	72	46	58.1	0.01	37.2	147
14. Perth	40,300	9	16	9	2	1	8	10.3	1	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	1	5	75	46	60.1	0.00	49.1	152
15. Hamilton	41,100	16	6	7	..	3	10	12.7	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	396
16. Falkirk	37,100	13	6	13	4	1	10	14.0	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	130
17. Airdrie	31,400	7	3	3	..	2	5	8.3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	147
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Sept. 12, 1953	2,588,300	787	517	560	87	46	519	10.5	21	11	2	21	3	2	3	..	17	15	19	11	111	78	26	329	77†	45†	59.3‡	0.04‡	42.5‡	
Sept. 5, 1953	2,588,300	786	499	518	88	60	490	9.9	30	13	2	22	4	5	..	1	9	8	17	12	99	67	27	305	68†	41†	55.9‡	1.35‡	24.7‡	
Sept. 13, 1952	2,577,500	829	541	499	81	57	475	9.6	18	17	4	26	8	8	2	1	13	13	17		96	52	19	287	67†	36†	51.0‡	0.19‡	36.2‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 19th September 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 19th September 1953, the births of 820 living children, and of 19 still-born children, 505 marriages and 496 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for the usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 16.5 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 10.2 and the death rate 10.0. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 23 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.6 more than in the previous week, but 0.4 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the average. The death-rate is 0.5 less than in the previous week, but 0.1 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 14.4 in Paisley and 11.6 in Airdrie to 3.6 in Ayr and 3.4 in Clydebank. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Falkirk 11.2 and in Dundee 11.1. In Glasgow the rate was 10.6 and in Edinburgh 10.4.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 2, and are 2 more than in the previous week. The 2 deaths registered were from whooping cough.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 11, of which 9 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 6 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 6 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 29, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.6 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as the previous week, and the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 20, being 1 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 11 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 293, and are 36 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 29, and are 3 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 15th September 1953, was 13,651. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 54.8° being 4.5° below that for the previous week, but 1.2° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.17 inches, and the mean sunshine 13.1 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 37 — **Week ended SATURDAY, September 19th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	7	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	2	1	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	3	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	2	1	2	1	7	..	4	4	..	..	..	..	3
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dundee B.	2	8	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	7	..	..	..	3	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	8
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	13	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	12
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.		1																											

Midlothian C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	10
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	8	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	11	..	25	3	..	..	..	..	35
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	1
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	8	3	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	24	..	31	4	..	..	..	..	52
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	8	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	22
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	2
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	1	..	..	2	5	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	4	..	..	12	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	30
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Glasgow B.	11	41	..	1	3	56	1	4	..	..	..	20	2	..	1	51	..	2	4	1	35	..	52	6	..	..	1	..	120
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	5	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Renfrew C.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1
Greenock B.	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	5	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	11	44	..	1	5	78	1	6	1	..	1	26	2	..	2	82	5	11	4	1	90	..	87	11	..	..	1	..	232
GRAND TOTAL	14	53	..	1	5	94	1	14	1	..	2	59	11	..	2	100	7	14	6	5	153	..	135	21	..	..	2	..	313

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 37

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 19, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 15, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 15th Sept. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow .	1,086,800	353	219	233	26	13	220	10.6	6	7	1	13	5	2	..	1	8	6	6	9	54	21	14	119	65	42	54.4	1.02	8.3	4,180
2. Edinburgh	474,500	116	111	112	20	3	95	10.4	4	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	4	25	11	6	64	61	44	54.4	1.41	19.6	1,011
3. Aberdeen .	183,800	59	44	45	11	..	34	9.6	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	8	6	1	23	59	40	53.0	0.73	15.2	529
4. Dundee .	178,300	46	29	45	8	1	38	11.1	2	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	12	3	2	26	62	43	54.1	0.80	18.8	624
5. Paisley .	94,400	25	5	24	3	5	26	14.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	6	4	1	14	64	44	55.9	1.53	9.6	383
6. Greenock .	76,700	31	10	11	2	..	9	6.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	..	6	61	48	55.8	1.43	7.9	320
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	34	9	11	1	4	14	10.6	1	1	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	2	8	..	..	..	..	..	459
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	16	10	9	2	2	9	9.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	168
9. Coatbridge	49,200	31	3	4	1	2	5	5.3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	253
10. Dunfermline	45,200	8	11	10	4	3	9	10.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	3	63	47	55.1	1.84	15.4	234
11. Clydebank	45,700	20	6	5	3	1	3	3.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	229
12. Ayr . .	43,200	9	10	4	1	..	3	3.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	228
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	15	9	6	2	1	5	6.2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	66	40	55.3	0.56	12.1	149
14. Perth .	40,300	11	9	9	5	1	5	6.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	5	68	43	55.3	1.17	11.4	139
15. amilton .	41,100	15	11	4	1	3	6	7.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	398
16. Falkirk .	37,100	15	6	9	1	..	8	11.2	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	6	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	192
17. Airdrie .	31,400	16	3	3	..	4	7	11.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	..	..	..	..	..	141
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Sept. 19, 1953 .	2,588,300	820	505	544	91	43	496	10.0	19	11	2	20	7	3	..	2	11	9	13	16	121	56	29	293	68†	40†	54.8‡	1.17‡	13.1‡	
Sept. 12, 1953 .	2,588,300	787	517	560	87	46	519	10.5	21	11	2	21	3	2	3	..	17	15	19	11	111	78	26	329	77†	45†	59.3‡	0.04‡	42.5‡	
Sept. 20, 1952 .	2,577,500‖	798	500	580	82	45	543	11.0	21	11	7	25	2	10	1	..	16	14	29		120	68	27	320	67†	30†	47.5‡	0.26‡	26.7‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 26th September 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 26th September 1953, the births of 818 living children, and of 22 still-born children, 607 marriages and 502 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 16.5 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 12.2 and the death-rate 10.1. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 26 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is the same as in the previous week, and the same as the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 2.0 more than in the previous week, and 0.8 above the average. The death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but 0.6 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 14.0 in Falkirk and 12.8 in Aberdeen to 4.2 in Coatbridge and 3.8 in Hamilton. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Paisley 12.7 and in Dundee 12.3. In Glasgow the rate was 10.6 and in Edinburgh 8.9.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week 2 deaths were registered.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 18, of which 14 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 7 more than in the previous week, and the latter 5 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 33, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.7 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, and 0.1 above the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 24, being 4 more than in the previous week. Of these, 13 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 299, and are 6 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 24, and are 5 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 22nd September 1953, was 14,149. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 55.0° being 0.2° above that for the previous week, and 2.9° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.00 inch, and the mean sunshine 13.0 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 38 **Week ended SATURDAY, September 26th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	3	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	49	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	49	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	19	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	3
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	2	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	1	..	5	..	7	5	..	..	1	..	1
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundee B.	3	5	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	4	..	..	..	1	7	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	6
Fife C.	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	14	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	13
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7

Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	1	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	11	..	11	1	..	..	..	..	36
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	3
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	1	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	18	..	14	4	..	..	..	..	58
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	2	..	..	7	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	6
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	2	2	1	12	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	12
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	28	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	10
Glasgow B.	8	31	..	5	2	47	..	4	..	..	2	8	..	..	..	64	..	4	1	4	26	..	32	1	..	..	1	..	65
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	8	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	7
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	2
Greenock B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	1
Paisley B.	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	3
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	4	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
TOTAL	10	34	..	5	3	61	..	11	..	..	3	13	1	..	4	94	4	14	3	6	106	..	73	10	..	..	1	..	140
GRAND TOTAL	15	47	..	6	3	88	..	19	1	..	5	76	3	..	5	112	5	21	4	7	176	..	110	24	..	..	2	..	230

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 38

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 26, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 22, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 22nd Sept. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	376	266	224	22	18	220	10.6	12	9	1	16	2	4	2	..	10	9	6	11	46	18	12	128	63	46	54.7	0.78	12.8	4,241
2. Edinburgh	474,500	123	110	96	16	1	81	8.9	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	3	2	2	2	19	9	4	50	64	46	55.0	0.56	17.7	953
3. Aberdeen	183,800	56	47	54	13	4	45	12.8	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	3	1	7	7	2	31	62	43	53.2	2.35	12.0	561
4. Dundee	178,300	53	26	50	11	3	42	12.3	1	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	1	1	1	..	9	10	1	31	61	47	55.1	0.74	9.7	629
5. Paisley	94,400	28	23	24	3	2	23	12.7	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	5	5	..	17	64	48	56.7	0.69	15.7	350
6. Greenock	76,700	32	20	21	4	1	18	12.2	1	1	1	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	4	1	8	62	49	55.5	1.52	11.3	449
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	24	17	9	2	4	11	8.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	2	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	482
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	13	17	6	1	1	6	6.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	179
9. Coatbridge	49,200	14	12	3	..	1	4	4.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	257
10. Dunfermline	45,200	14	9	9	2	..	7	8.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	2	62	47	55.2	0.60	13.3	237
11. Clydebank	45,700	13	14	8	2	3	9	10.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	242
12. Ayr	43,200	15	11	12	4	..	8	9.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	191
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	12	12	9	4	1	6	7.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	1	62	43	53.6	1.12	13.4	164
14. Perth	40,300	13	11	6	2	2	6	7.8	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	4	64	47	56.2	0.60	10.8	169
15. Hamilton	41,100	9	5	2	..	1	3	3.8	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	388
16. Falkirk	37,100	11	3	12	2	..	10	14.0	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	228
17. Airdrie	31,400	12	4	1	..	2	3	5.0	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	183
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Sept. 26, 1953	2,588,300	818	607	546	88	44	502	10.1	22	13	3	24	3	8	2	..	18	14	16	17	109	61	24	299	64†	43†	55.0‡	1.00‡	13.0‡	
Sept. 19, 1953	2,588,300	820	505	544	91	43	496	10.0	19	11	2	20	7	3	..	2	11	9	13	16	121	56	29	293	68†	40†	54.8‡	1.17‡	13.1‡	
Sept. 27, 1952	2,577,500‖	810	595	567	89	44	522	10.6	28	13	1	25	5	5	1	..	14	13	38		108	70	27	314	67†	38†	52.5‡	1.23‡	16.8‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

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No. 39

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

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Week ended Saturday, 3rd October 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 3rd October 1953, the births of 854 living children, and of 17 still-born children, 635 marriages and 509 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.2 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 12.8 and the death rate 10.3. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 20 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.7 more than in the previous week, but 0.5 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.6 more than in the previous week, and 1.0 above the average. The death-rate is 0.2 more than in the previous week, but 0.6 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 15.4 in Falkirk and 12.7 in Kirkcaldy to 4.6 in Clydebank and 3.9 in Perth. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Motherwell and Wishaw 12.1 and in Edinburgh 11.9. In Glasgow the rate was 9.8.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week there were also no deaths from these causes.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 10, of which 7 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 8 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 7 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 39, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.8 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 30, being 6 more than in the previous week. Of these, 18 were aged 0-6 days and 6 were aged 7-27 days.

Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 307, and are 8 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 23, and are 1 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 29th September 1953, was 13,731. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 55.9° being 0.9° above that for the previous week, and 3.4° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.17 inches, and the mean sunshine 21.7 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 39 **Week ended SATURDAY, October 3rd, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
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Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Dundee B.	1	2	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	3
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	14	..	4	..	..	..	1	..	8
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..

Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	20	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	1	11	..	18	3	..	..	..	..	35
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	9
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	12
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	25	..	3	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	3	1	..	3	1	38	..	23	6	..	..	..	..	70
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Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr C.	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	15
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	2	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	12	..	9	2	..	..	..	..	3
Airdrie B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18
Glasgow B.	4	34	..	2	5	90	..	4	..	..	1	13	..	..	1	69	..	2	4	2	44	..	49	10	..	..	..	..	65
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	10	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	3	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	1	12	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	5	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	1
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	4
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	6	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	10	39	..	2	7	108	..	14	1	..	2	25	..	..	1	87	3	6	4	4	112	..	82	15	..	..	..	..	122
GRAND TOTAL	11	46	..	2	7	139	..	19	4	..	3	69	1	..	2	107	5	9	9	5	194	..	126	22	..	..	1	..	224

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 39

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 3, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 29, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 29th Sept. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	348	288	214	23	13	204	9.8	10	6	3	10	1	2	..	..	4	3	9	8	36	26	8	126	61	43	54.8	1.60	18.6	3,619
2. Edinburgh	474,500	131	105	115	14	7	108	11.9	2	2	1	4	..	1	..	..	1	..	8	1	31	7	7	69	68	44	56.4	0.39	26.1	1,166
3. Aberdeen	183,800	54	48	51	17	..	34	9.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	8	4	1	23	67	44	55.4	0.74	26.8	480
4. Dundee	178,300	72	31	37	5	4	36	10.5	2	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	2	2	1	2	7	6	3	21	65	46	56.4	0.27	21.8	606
5. Paisley	94,400	32	18	22	3	2	21	11.6	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	2	1	13	62	46	56.1	2.28	22.4	404
6. Greenock	76,700	37	12	16	2	2	16	10.9	..	6	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	1	1	4	62	47	55.7	3.49	17.7	409
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	19	21	14	1	3	16	12.1	1	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	3	1	3	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	510
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	25	10	12	2	2	12	12.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	182
9. Coatbridge	49,200	15	16	7	..	4	11	11.7	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	237
10. Dunfermline	45,200	7	9	8	2	4	10	11.5	1	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	4	65	44	56.7	0.30	19.6	224
11. Clydebank	45,700	13	12	3	..	1	4	4.6	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	235
12. Ayr	43,200	15	16	5	1	1	5	6.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	276
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	18	6	10	3	..	7	8.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	63	42	55.3	1.23	19.7	188
14. Perth	40,300	14	14	8	6	1	3	3.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	65	44	56.6	0.20	22.9	163
15. Hamilton	41,100	21	10	6	2	1	5	6.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	435
16. Falkirk	37,100	14	7	15	6	2	11	15.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	2	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	182
17. Airdrie	31,400	19	12	3	..	3	6	10.0	..	..	2	2	..	2	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	139
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Oct. 3, 1953	2,588,300	854	635	546	87	50	509	10.3	17	18	6	30	3	9	1	..	10	7	21	18	98	61	23	307	68†	42†	55.9‡	1.17‡	21.7‡	
Sept. 26, 1953	2,588,300	818	607	546	88	44	502	10.1	22	13	3	24	3	8	2	..	18	14	16	17	109	61	24	299	64†	43†	55.0‡	1.00‡	13.0‡	
Oct. 4, 1952	2,577,500‖	915	576	566	102	44	508	10.3	25	10	2	25	6	6	1	..	10	9	24		105	64	23	301	66†	27†	47.4‡	0.20‡	22.9‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes.

‡ Weekly means.

** These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 40

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
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BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 10th October 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 10th October 1953 the births of 919 living children, and of 21 still-born children, 353 marriages and 522 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 18.5 per thousand of the population, the marriage rate 7.1 and the death rate 10.5. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 22 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.3 more than in the previous week, but 0.3 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 5.7 less than in the previous week, and 2.7 below the average. The death-rate is 0.2 more than in the previous week, but 0.3 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 15.1 in Motherwell and Wishaw and 14.2 in Perth to 7.3 in Dundee and 5.7 in Clydebank. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dunfermline 12.7 and in Falkirk 12.6. In Glasgow the rate was 10.8 and in Edinburgh 11.1.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week there were also no deaths from these causes.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 11, of which 9 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 more than in the previous week, and the latter 2 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 33 and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.7 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 14, being 16 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 10 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 323 and are 16 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 20, and are 3 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 6th October 1953, was 15,161. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 51.5° being 4.4° below that for the previous week, but 0.2° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.03 inch, and the mean sunshine 14.0 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 40 **Week ended SATURDAY, October 10th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
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Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	60	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	60	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	5	2	..	..	..	..	24
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Aberdeen B.	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	7	1	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dundee B.	1	6	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	7	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Fife C.	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	23	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	19
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	6	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Kirkcaldy B.						1										2		1			2		1						

Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	6	..	2	1	..	11	..	14	3	1	..	..	..	22
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	5
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	7	1	4	1	..	25	..	24	7	1	..	..	..	47
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	7	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	3
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	8
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Lanark C.	1	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	9	..	5	..	..	10	..	9	2	..	..	..	..	10
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Glasgow B.	5	32	..	1	3	92	..	3	..	..	..	5	..	..	1	54	..	6	8	2	27	..	35	3	..	..	..	..	66
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	1
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	4	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	4
Greenock B.	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	6	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	1
Falkirk B.	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
TOTAL	9	34	..	1	3	117	..	6	..	..	..	12	2	..	2	83	7	19	10	3	90	..	67	16	1	..	..	..	123
GRAND TOTAL	13	40	..	1	3	136	..	14	..	..	2	75	8	..	3	104	11	25	11	3	165	..	123	27	2	..	..	..	235

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 40

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 10, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 6, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 6th Oct. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow .	1,086,800	423	134	240	27	13	226	10,8	9	2	1	3	2	..	..	..	8	7	5	7	60	23	10	143	63	35	51.0	0.00	9.8	4,544
2. Edinburgh	474,500	136	80	109	10	2	101	11.1	5	3	1	4	2	2	..	..	1	..	3	5	22	13	3	60	58	41	51.7	0.01	14.3	1,174
3. Aberdeen .	183,800	60	26	47	12	..	35	9.9	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	1	7	8	..	28	60	41	51.0	0.04	21.6	575
4. Dundee .	178,300	53	35	29	6	2	25	7.3	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	7	3	1	16	61	37	51.2	0.15	15.9	530
5. Paisley .	94,400	33	8	20	2	..	18	9.9	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	3	4	..	12	63	38	52.9	..	12.5	413
6. Greenock .	76,700	33	12	15	1	..	14	9.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	1	7	59	42	52.9	0.07	15.5	434
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	29	2	18	1	3	20	15.1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	5	1	9	..	..	..	..	..	468
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	21	9	10	2	1	9	9.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	187
9. Coatbridge	49,200	24	6	9	2	2	9	9.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	281
10. Dunfermline	45,200	7	7	12	1	..	11	12.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	1	8	59	38	50.8	0.01	10.3	231
11. Clydebank	45,700	14	2	5	3	3	5	5.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	246
12. Ayr . .	43,200	15	6	6	2	3	7	8.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	287
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	20	3	12	4	..	8	9.9	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	4	60	35	50.8	..	12.0	223
14. Perth .	40,300	10	11	18	7	..	11	14.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	2	8	62	31	51.1	0.00	14.5	154
15. Hamilton .	41,100	16	4	5	..	3	8	10.2	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	415
16. Falkirk .	37,100	14	8	11	2	..	9	12.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	222
17. Airdrie .	31,400	11	..	2	..	4	6	10.0	..	1	1	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	171
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Oct. 10, 1953 .	2,588,300	919	353	568	82	36	522	10.5	21	10	3	14	6	2	1	..	11	9	15	18	127	64	20	323	63†	31†	51.5‡	0.03‡	14.0‡	
Oct. 3, 1953 .	2,588,300	854	635	546	87	50	509	10.3	17	18	6	30	3	9	1	..	10	7	21	18	98	61	23	307	68†	42†	55.9‡	1.17‡	21.7‡	
Oct. 11, 1952 .	2,577,500‖	952	354	567	92	49	524	10.6	27	14	3	29	4	3	3	1	14	11	28		113	58	18	309	57†	24†	45.6‡	0.26‡	36.3‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 41

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 17th October 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 17th October 1953, the births of 844 living children, and of 28 still-born children, 280 marriages and 533 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.0 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 5.6 and the death-rate 10.7. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 32 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.5 less than in the previous week, and 0.7 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.5 less than in the previous week, and 1.1 below the average. The death-rate is 0.2 more than in the previous week, and 0.1 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 17.0 in Greenock and 14.9 in Airdrie to 6.4 in Coatbridge and 3.8 in Hamilton. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Ayr 13.3 and in Perth 12.9. In Glasgow the rate was 9.9 and in Edinburgh 12.7.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week there were also no deaths from these causes. Two deaths were registered from Salmonella infections.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 9, of which 8 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 2 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 1 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 31, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.6 per thousand This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 35, being 21 more than in the previous week. Of these, 21 were aged 0-6 days and 2 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 292, and are 31 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 37, and are 17 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 13th October 1953, was 14,757. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 47.4° being 4.1° below that for the previous week, and 1.6° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.31 inch, and the mean sunshine 18.0 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 41 — **Week ended SATURDAY, October 17th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	6	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	14
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	6	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	7	1	..	1	..	12	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	2
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	7
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dundee B.	..	2	..	..	..	8	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1
Fife C.	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	3	..	3	1	..	19	..	4	..	..	..	1	..	15
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
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East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	5
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	3
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	2	1	..	1	10	1	..	..	2	..	4	1	..	12	..	12	2	..	..	..	..	37
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	2	1	..	1	10	1	..	..	2	..	4	1	..	33	..	20	3	..	..	..	..	51
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	10	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	6
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	1	5	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	11	..	8	1	..	13	..	10	3	..	..	..	..	16
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Glasgow B.	6	34	..	5	3	104	..	5	..	..	1	5	3	..	1	45	..	3	6	5	49	..	55	7	..	..	..	..	63
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	2
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Renfrew C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	1	11	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	9	1	..	..	..	..	..
Paisley B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	5
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	1
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
TOTAL	8	46	..	5	4	114	1	9	..	..	1	13	4	..	4	74	10	16	7	6	105	..	107	17	1	..	..	..	117
GRAND TOTAL	8	53	..	6	4	137	1	17	2	..	4	41	10	..	5	98	12	24	10	6	189	..	147	24	1	..	1	..	229

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 41

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 17, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 13, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 13th Oct. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	381	114	219	23	11	207	9.9	10	7	..	12	3	1	1	..	3	3	5	8	45	27	16	107	56	31	46.4	0.33	11.6	4,129
2. Edinburgh	474,500	123	43	132	21	5	116	12.7	5	1	1	4	..	1	..	..	4	3	2	3	32	23	6	68	58	37	47.1	0.56	18.9	1,149
3. Aberdeen	183,800	46	23	51	14	..	37	10.5	1	2	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	7	8	1	20	60	35	47.4	0.12	24.8	606
4. Dundee	178,300	50	26	42	6	6	42	12.3	..	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	9	5	3	28	58	34	46.8	0.25	22.2	706
5. Paisley	94,400	32	12	12	2	2	12	6.6	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	..	6	58	34	47.9	0.34	14.0	369
6. Greenock	76,700	36	7	26	2	1	25	17.0	2	1	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	5	1	15	58	38	48.6	0.33	16.5	406
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	32	4	11	1	4	14	10.6	1	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	1	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	500
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	15	8	8	..	4	12	12.7	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	175
9. Coatbridge	49,200	25	3	3	..	3	6	6.4	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	265
10. Dunfermline	45,200	14	2	10	2	1	9	10.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	3	60	38	47.9	0.25	16.8	270
11. Clydebank	45,700	16	3	7	3	2	6	6.8	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	264
12. Ayr	43,200	14	7	11	2	2	11	13.3	1	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	255
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	18	13	12	3	..	9	11.1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	7	58	30	47.2	0.52	18.3	181
14. Perth	40,300	10	10	11	3	2	10	12.9	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	2	6	59	30	46.9	0.13	19.2	133
15. Hamilton	41,100	14	1	1	..	2	3	3.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	423
16. Falkirk	37,100	8	2	7	2	..	5	7.0	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	191
17. Airdrie	31,400	10	2	9	3	3	9	14.9	..	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	145
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Oct. 17, 1953	2,588,300	844	280	572	87	48	533	10.7	28	21	2	35	7	4	2	..	9	8	12	19	115	75	37	292	60†	30†	47.4‡	0.31‡	18.0‡	
Oct. 10, 1953	2,588,300	919	353	568	82	36	522	10.5	21	10	3	14	6	2	1	..	11	9	15	18	127	64	20	323	63†	31†	51.5‡	0.03‡	14.0‡	
Oct. 18, 1952	2,577,500‖	920	304	593	91	54	556	11.3	20	13	3	25	8	6	1	2	20	19	32		97	71	31	339	57†	25†	44.3‡	0.52‡	19.3‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 42

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 24th October 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 24th October 1953, the births of 857 living children, and of 24 still-born children, 279 marriages and 555 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.3 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 5.6 and the death-rate 11.2. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 27 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.3 more than in the previous week, but 0.4 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.4 below the average. The death-rate is 0.5 more than in the previous week, and 0.4 above the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 21.7 in Ayr and 17.1 in Clydebank to 6.3 in Kirkcaldy and 5.0 in Kilmarnock. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Coatbridge 12.7 and in Dundee 12.6. In Glasgow the rate was 11.1 and in Edinburgh 12.0.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 6, and are 6 more than in the previous week. They include 2 from whooping cough, 2 from meningococcal infections and 2 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 13, of which 11 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 4 more than in the previous week, and the latter 3 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 47, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.9 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.3 more than in the previous week, and 0.1 above the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 36, being 1 more than in the previous week. Of these, 15 were aged 0-6 days and 7 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 340, and are 48 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 26, and are 11 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 20th October 1953, was 15,415. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 49.7° being 2.3° above that for the previous week, and 2.0° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.57 inch, and the mean sunshine 7.8 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 42 **Week ended SATURDAY, October 24th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	2	..	..	1	..	7
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	6	..	..	..	6	..	4	5	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	..	3	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	13	6	..	2	..	14	..	7	6	..	..	..	..	6
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dundee B.	3	10	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	1	10	..	1	..	..	9	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	10
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	1	2	..	..	19	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	11
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	10	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	18
																					5		2						7

Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	23	..	4	..	..	..	4	1	..	..	3	..	4	..	..	16	..	22	3	..	..	..	..	29
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	7	2	..	..	..	..	1
TOTAL	2	..	..	..	..	25	..	5	..	..	..	4	1	..	1	3	..	9	..	..	41	..	41	5	..	..	..	..	41
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	5	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	7
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	8
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	1	..	..	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	12	..	5	..	..	19	..	7	3	..	..	..	..	12
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	6
Glasgow B.	7	45	..	4	1	82	..	5	..	..	1	6	2	..	2	72	..	2	2	3	52	..	46	4	2	..	..	..	70
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	8	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	1	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	2
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	20
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	1	..	..	..	..	24	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2
Falkirk B.	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
TOTAL	9	52	..	4	1	131	..	7	..	..	2	14	3	..	2	110	5	13	3	4	124	..	87	13	2	..	..	..	143
GRAND TOTAL	14	63	..	4	1	176	..	13	1	..	3	37	6	..	4	142	12	25	5	7	237	..	157	27	2	..	1	..	251

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 42

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 24, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 20, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 20th Oct. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow .	1,086,800	388	110	244	31	18	231	11.1	10	8	4	16	3	3	..	3	5	5	5	13	53	33	12	136	56	39	49.4	0.63	2.8	4,374
2. Edinburgh	474,500	145	42	122	20	7	109	12.0	4	1	2	7	..	3	..	1	3	2	6	3	21	13	3	72	59	38	50.0	0.20	18.0	1,260
3. Aberdeen .	183,800	59	38	44	8	4	40	11.3	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	1	6	..	8	6	2	23	58	36	49.0	0.26	20.4	577
4. Dundee .	178,300	58	24	42	3	4	43	12.6	1	2	1	4	..	..	..	..	2	1	3	..	9	5	3	23	57	36	48.1	0.27	6.4	667
5. Paisley .	94,400	32	8	23	5	2	20	11.0	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	2	4	1	13	57	41	51.3	0.77	2.9	366
6. Greenock .	76,700	28	7	12	2	1	11	7.5	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	8	57	42	52.0	1.64	2.9	391
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	18	5	12	4	3	11	8.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	491
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	16	8	5	..	1	6	6.3	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	199
9. Coatbridge	49,200	9	2	8	..	4	12	12.7	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	7	..	..	..	..	..	246
10. Dunfermline	45,200	9	1	10	1	1	10	11.5	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	1	8	60	39	49.4	0.24	8.4	275
11. Clydebank	45,700	18	4	10	4	9	15	17.1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	2	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	243
12. Ayr . .	43,200	17	7	19	4	3	18	21.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	2	1	11	..	..	..	..	..	268
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	14	8	11	7	..	4	5.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	2	59	38	50.6	0.85	5.1	199
14. Perth .	40,300	15	1	7	3	2	6	7.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	5	59	34	47.9	0.30	3.5	151
15. Hamilton .	41,100	8	7	6	2	3	7	8.9	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	460
16. Falkirk .	37,100	12	1	5	..	..	5	7.0	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	238
17. Airdrie .	31,400	11	6	6	..	1	7	11.6	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	143
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended																														
Oct. 24, 1953 .	2,588,300	857	279	586	94	63	555	11.2	24	15	7	36	4	8	..	6	13	11	28	19	115	74	26	340	60†	34†	49.7‡	0.57‡	7.8‡	
Oct. 17, 1953 .	2,588,300	844	280	572	87	48	533	10.7	28	21	2	35	7	4	2	..	9	8	12	19	115	75	37	292	60†	30†	47.4‡	0.31‡	18.0‡	
Oct. 25, 1952 .	2,577,500‖	838	318	572	80	48	540	11.0	24	12	2	30	4	8	1	3	18	15	49		94	71	24	311	56†	31†	46.5‡	1.47‡	11.4‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 43

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

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BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 31st October 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 31st October 1953, the births of 864 living children, and of 23 still-born children, 310 marriages and 526 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.4 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 6.2 and the death-rate 10.6. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 26 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.1 more than in the previous week, and 0.8 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.6 more than in the previous week, but 0.2 below the average. The death-rate is 0.6 less than in the previous week, and 0.7 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 19.7 in Falkirk and 13.6 in Kilmarnock to 4.5 in Motherwell and Wishaw and 3.3 in Airdrie. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Hamilton 12.7 and in Edinburgh 12.4. In Glasgow the rate was 10.6.

There were no deaths from the principal epidemic diseases. In the previous week 6 deaths were registered. There was 1 death from acute poliomyelitis.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 13, of which 12 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are the same as in the previous week, but the latter 1 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 35, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.7 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 23, being 13 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 11 were aged 0-6 days and 4 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 316, and are 24 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 23, and are 3 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 27th October 1953, was 16,730. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this Return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 46.0° being 3.7° below that for the previous week, but 0.2° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.12 inches, and the mean sunshine 24.5 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 43 **Week ended SATURDAY, October 31st, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	3
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Aberdeen B.	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	1	..	4	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	7	1	..	1	..	12	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	4
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dundee B.	1	6	..	..	1	11	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	8	..	2	..	..	4	..	9	1	..	..	..	..	13
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	13	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	13
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcaldy B.	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	22

Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	6	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	8
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	25	..	2	..	..	..	8	..	..	1	7	..	8	..	..	19	..	12	2	..	..	..	..	29
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	2
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	25	..	2	..	..	..	8	..	..	1	7	..	11	..	..	43	..	25	5	..	..	..	..	53
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	10
Ayr B.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	1	..	..	..	2	48	..	..	..	..	..	5	1	..	..	10	..	3	..	1	20	..	9	2	..	..	..	..	26
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Glasgow B.	6	49	..	..	2	82	..	4	..	..	1	5	2	..	1	78	..	6	5	1	65	..	46	9	1	..	4	..	56
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	..	5	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Renfrew C.	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	7	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	7	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	4	..	13	..	1	..	..	..	2
Paisley B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	23
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	21	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	13	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	10	58	..	..	4	174	..	8	1	..	1	14	3	..	4	118	4	14	5	2	150	..	96	11	2	..	5	..	161
GRAND TOTAL	12	75	..	..	5	219	..	15	2	..	1	27	6	..	6	150	5	30	6	2	235	..	156	21	2	..	5	..	295

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 43

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 31, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 27, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 27th Oct. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow .	1,086,800	360	124	240	32	13	221	10·6	14	3	1	8	..	2	..	..	8	7	5	10	52	30	7	120	55	33	45·1	1.00	23.0	4,694
2. Edinburgh	474,500	146	58	122	15	6	113	12.4	..	4	..	6	1	1	..	..	2	2	..	5	27	23	3	80	54	38	46.0	0.52	26.6	1,301
3. Aberdeen .	183,800	57	36	43	6	1	38	10.8	2	1	..	2	..	..	1	..	2	2	2	2	6	6	1	21	53	34	45.9	1.47	21.1	600
4. Dundee .	178,300	56	19	43	6	4	41	12.0	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	6	5	4	27	55	34	45.4	0.71	22.6	690
5. Paisley .	94,400	39	11	19	4	2	17	9.4	1	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	1	..	8	56	36	47.6	1.26	25.4	416
6. Greenock .	76,700	32	10	17	3	2	16	10·9	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	2	1	10	56	40	47.3	2.38	24.9	463
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	30	5	7	1	..	6	4.5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	570
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	12	4	7	1	1	7	7.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	260
9. Coatbridge	49,200	29	4	6	..	2	8	8.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	291
10. Dunfermline	45,200	10	3	8	4	1	5	5.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	3	55	35	46.5	0.50	22.4	265
11. Clydebank	45,700	22	6	1	1	5	5	5.7	..	1	1	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	300
12. Ayr . .	43,200	14	5	7	1	..	6	7.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	318
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	14	6	8	1	4	11	13.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	3	7	56	37	46.6	1.52	30.5	217
14. Perth .	40,300	7	2	7	1	..	6	7.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	55	27	43.8	0.71	24.1	186
15. Hamilton .	41,100	17	7	7	..	3	10	12.7	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	1	..	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	461
16. Falkirk .	37,100	6	4	13	2	3	14	19·7	1	1	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	253
17. Airdrie .	31,400	13	6	1	..	1	2	3.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	153
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Oct. 31, 1953 .	2,588,300	864	310	556	78	48	526	10.6	23	11	4	23	4	3	1	..	13	12	12	23	112	84	23	316	56†	27†	46.0‡	1.12‡	24.5‡	
Oct. 24, 1953 .	2,588,300	857	279	586	94	63	555	11.2	24	15	7	36	4	8	..	6	13	11	28	19	115	74	26	340	60†	34†	49.7‡	0.57‡	7.8‡	
Nov. 1, 1952 .	2,577,500‖	865	325	609	82	61	588	11.9	19	18	4	37	9	5	2	..	13	8	41		130	68	20	362	57†	37†	48.8‡	1.06‡	22.2‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 7th November 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 7th November 1953, the births of 833 living children, and of 25 still-born children, 343 marriages and 533 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 16.8 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 6.9 and the death-rate 10.7. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 29 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.6 less than in the previous week, and 0.1 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.7 more than in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average. The death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but 1.1 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 15.5 in Perth and 12.7 in Hamilton to 7.2 in Paisley and 5.8 in Dunfermline. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dundee 12.3 and in Edinburgh 11.5. In Glasgow the rate was 11.0.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1, and are 1 more than in the previous week. The death registered was from influenza. There was also 1 death from acute poliomyelitis.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 14, of which 13 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 more than in the previous week, and the latter 1 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 35, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.7 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.2 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 21, being 2 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 17 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 333, and are 17 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 23, and are the same as in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 3rd November 1953, was 16,838. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 44.7° being 1.3° below that for the previous week, and 0.4° below the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.51 inches, and the mean sunshine 12.7 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 44 **Week ended SATURDAY, November 7th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	9	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	14
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	4	1	..	1	4	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	..	2	1	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	3
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	14	4	3	1	1	6	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	6
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Dundee B.	2	8	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	6	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	9
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	8	..	..	..	..	19	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	17
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	20
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	26

Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	4	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	23	..	3	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	6	..	4	1	..	11	..	24	1	..	..	..	..	28
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	6
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	26	..	5	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	7	..	7	1	..	30	..	33	3	..	..	..	..	46
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	1	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	2	1	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	10
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	1	..	..	..	26	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	..	1	1	20	..	7	4	..	..	..	..	16
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12
Glasgow B.	7	61	..	3	7	81	1	4	..	..	..	4	..	..	2	69	..	2	1	2	44	..	45	7	..	..	..	..	68
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	3	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	6
Paisley B.	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	5	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	7
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	1	..	..	..	..	15	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	10	67	..	3	7	154	1	9	1	..	..	11	1	..	3	112	5	5	5	3	132	..	94	18	1	..	..	..	139
GRAND TOTAL	12	76	..	3	7	206	1	17	1	..	..	25	4	..	6	147	9	16	7	5	217	..	157	22	1	..	..	..	293

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No. 44

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 7, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 3, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 3rd Nov. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow .	1,086,800	355	151	242	26	13	229	11·0	9	6	..	6	..	2	..	1	10	9	7	10	36	44	10	142	50	35	43.7	1.88	7.8	4,701
2. Edinburgh	474,500	125	63	118	19	6	105	11.5	6	4	1	6	1	2	..	..	2	2	1	1	23	18	5	65	52	37	44.9	0.78	18.5	1,312
3. Aberdeen .	183,800	63	22	40	6	1	35	9.9	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	5	6	1	24	52	33	43.9	0.63	19.1	591
4. Dundee .	178,300	50	29	41	5	6	42	12.3	1	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	6	6	4	29	53	33	44.0	0.74	16.9	691
5. Paisley .	94,400	30	16	14	4	3	13	7.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	2	7	52	40	46.4	2.23	9.4	404
6. Greenock .	76,700	30	8	16	1	1	16	10·9	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	1	11	52	41	46.3	3.71	8.1	437
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	24	9	11	3	5	13	9.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	4	1	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	585
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	16	7	9	2	2	9	9.5	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	252
9. Coatbridge	49,200	19	6	5	..	3	8	8.5	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	316
10. Dunfermline	45,200	13	4	9	4	..	5	5.8	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	4	52	34	44.6	0.78	12.5	308
11. Clydebank	45,700	16	3	8	4	3	7	8.0	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	261
12. Ayr . .	43,200	15	3	11	3	1	9	10.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	283
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	17	7	11	4	..	7	8.7	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	5	53	37	45.6	1.41	8.3	241
14. Perth .	40,300	11	3	16	6	2	12	15.5	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	8	52	30	42.9	1.41	13.3	164
15. Hamilton .	41,100	14	5	7	1	4	10	12.7	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	562
16. Falkirk .	37,100	20	4	11	4	1	8	11·2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	3	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	262
17. Airdrie .	31,400	15	3	4	..	1	5	8.3	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	183
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Nov. 7, 1953 .	2,588,300	833	343	573	92	52	533	10.7	25	17	1	21	1	6	..	1	14	13	15	20	93	86	23	333	53†	30†	44.7‡	1.51‡	12.7‡	
Oct. 31, 1953 .	2,588,300	864	310	556	78	48	526	10.6	23	11	4	23	4	3	1	..	13	12	12	23	112	84	23	316	56†	27†	46.0‡	1.12‡	24.5‡	
Nov. 8, 1952 .	2,577,500‖	760	308	491	63	41	469	9.5	23	12	2	25	4	7	1	3	11	9	32		77	70	18	291	53†	30†	43.2‡	1.18‡	14.2‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 45

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

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BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 14th November 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 14th November 1953, the births of 853 living children, and of 25 still-born children, 277 marriages and 575 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 17.2 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 5.6 and the death-rate 11.6. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 28 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.4 more than in the previous week, and 1.4 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.3 less than in the previous week, and 0.2 below the average. The death-rate is 0.9 more than in the previous week, but 0.3 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 14.8 in Coatbridge and 14.2 in Perth to 6.0 in Ayr and 3.7 in Kilmarnock. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dundee 13.5 and in Greenock 12.9. In Glasgow the rate was 11.8 and in Edinburgh 10.9.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 3 and are 2 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal infections and 2 from influenza. There was also 1 death from dysentery.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 9, of which 8 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 5 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 5 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 44, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.9 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.2 more than in the previous week, but the same as the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 30, being 9 more than in the previous week. Of these, 16 were aged 0-6 days and 3 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 327, and are 6 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 30, and are 7 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 10th November 1953, was 17,653. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 44.2° being 0.5° below that for the previous week, but 1.7° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 2.38 inches, and the mean sunshine 7.4 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 45 **Week ended SATURDAY, November 14th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	5	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	7
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	2	..	1	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	1	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	9	2	2	1	..	5	..	10	1	..	..	..	..	..
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dundee B.	2	7	..	..	1	10	..	3	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	6	..	..	1	..	4	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	18
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	1	1	1	..	13	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	13
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	4	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	15
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	6
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	21
TOTAL	2	11	..	..	1	12	..	6	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	18	1	1	2	..	34	..	9	2	..	..	..	..	76

Berwick C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	10	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	5
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	3
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	37	..	2	..	..	2	9	..	..	..	4	..	7	..	..	14	..	10	2	..	..	..	..	34
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	6
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	4
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	44	..	3	..	..	2	9	..	..	..	4	..	11	..	..	40	..	28	4	..	..	..	..	55
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr C.	1	..	..	..	..	8	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	1	..	..	9	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	10
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	6	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	6
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	..	19	..	2	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	12	..	2	..	..	11	..	5	2	..	..	1	..	11
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	5
Coatbridge B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	3
Glasgow B.	10	73	..	2	4	105	..	10	..	..	..	6	3	..	1	86	..	7	4	3	53	..	40	5	..	..	..	..	63
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	10	1	..	..	..	..	6
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	3	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	12	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	4	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	8
Paisley B.	..	6	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	15
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	18	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	12	82	..	2	4	186	..	15	2	..	1	26	3	..	8	129	6	12	4	5	133	..	96	10	..	..	1	..	147
GRAND TOTAL	14	93	..	3	5	243	..	25	3	..	3	37	5	..	8	163	9	27	7	5	217	..	146	19	..	..	1	..	285

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 14, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 10, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 10th Nov. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	394	118	258	25	12	245	11·8	11	5	1	12	3	2	1	1	4	3	9	12	37	43	15	136	52	33	43.6	3.21	2.9	5,106
2. Edinburgh	474,500	125	43	116	18	1	99	10.9	1	3	..	4	..	2	..	1	1	1	1	4	25	11	4	62	52	37	45.1	1.41	8.3	1,404
3. Aberdeen	183,800	53	34	56	14	2	44	12.5	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	6	7	3	27	52	33	42.1	0.92	17.3	647
4. Dundee	178,300	54	20	50	7	3	46	13.5	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	8	11	1	32	52	33	43.2	1.20	15.9	719
5. Paisley	94,400	37	10	19	6	4	17	9.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	4	2	1	6	53	36	45.9	2.86	2.7	430
6. Greenock	76,700	30	7	19	3	3	19	12.9	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	3	4	1	13	54	37	46.1	4.67	2.3	486
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	33	6	15	3	5	17	12.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	1	3	1	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	513
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	8	3	14	7	5	12	12.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	6	..	..	..	..	..	281
9. Coatbridge	49,200	28	..	11	1	4	14	14.8	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	329
10. Dunfermline	45,200	12	4	13	2	..	11	12.7	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	1	5	51	34	43.9	2.21	3.9	282
11. Clydebank	45,700	13	3	7	1	5	11	12.6	..	..	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	307
12. Ayr	43,200	13	5	9	4	..	5	6.0	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	321
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	12	7	6	4	1	3	3.7	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	54	34	45.3	3.40	3.6	240
14. Perth	40,300	14	6	14	5	2	11	14.2	..	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	7	53	31	42.8	1.50	9.3	191
15. Hamilton	41,100	13	4	4	..	5	9	11.4	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	511
16. Falkirk	37,100	8	3	10	3	..	7	9·8	1	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	246
17. Airdrie	31,400	6	4	2	..	3	5	8.3	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	226
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Nov. 14, 1953.	2,588,300	853	277	623	103	55	575	11.6	25	16	3	30	7	6	1	3	9	8	20	24	104	86	30	327	54†	31†	44.2‡	2.38‡	7.4‡	
Nov. 7, 1953.	2,588,300	833	343	573	92	52	533	10.7	25	17	1	21	1	6	..	1	14	13	15	20	93	86	23	333	53†	30†	44.7‡	1.51‡	12.7‡	
Nov. 15, 1952.	2,577,500	766	282	572	96	37	513	10.4	20	21	..	38	10	6	2	3	11	10	32		96	67	19	309	52†	28†	40.5‡	0.45‡	5.9‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 21st November 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 21st November 1953, the births of 814 living children, and of 18 still-born children, 227 marriages and 561 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 16.4 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 4.6 and the death-rate 11.3. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 22 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.8 less than in the previous week, but 0.3 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.0 less than in the previous week, and 0.7 below the average. The death-rate is 0.3 less than in the previous week, and 0.9 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 18.3 in Falkirk and 17.8 in Hamilton to 6.8 in Clydebank and 6.6 in Paisley. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Aberdeen and Perth 14.2 and in Coatbridge 13.8. In Glasgow the rate was 10.7 and in Edinburgh 9.9.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 4 and are 1 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from whooping cough, 2 from meningococcal infections and 1 from influenza. There was also 1 death from bacillary dysentery.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 17, of which 16 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 8 more than in the previous week, and the latter 8 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 46, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.9 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 29, being 1 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 11 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 353, and are 26 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 33, and are 3 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 17th November 1953, was 17,762. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 48.2° being 4.0° above that for the previous week, and 6.6° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.29 inch, and the mean sunshine 4.8 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 46 — **Week ended SATURDAY, November 21st, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	1	2	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	5
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	1	..	1	..	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	10
Dundee B.	1	18	..	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	15	..	1	..	1	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	20
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	4	1	..	..	23	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	15
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kirkcaldy B.	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	5	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	5
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	19

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	32
Midlothian C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	20	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	3	..	3	..	..	15	..	13	2	..	..	..	..	..	45
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	12
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	21	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	4	..	4	..	..	40	..	21	6	..	..	..	..	..	105
WESTERN AREA.—																														
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	2	..	..	8	..	4	3	..	..	..	..	..	12
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	3	..	..	..	8	..	3	..	..	..	5	1	..	..	10	..	3	..	..	20	..	13	1	..	..	..	..	..	11
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Glasgow B.	6	90	..	2	3	101	..	6	..	..	1	15	1	..	2	100	..	..	6	1	57	..	48	3	..	..	..	..	..	51
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	1	1	..	11	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Greenock B.	..	5	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	11	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
TOTAL	7	100	..	2	3	143	..	12	..	..	1	25	2	..	2	143	2	9	7	1	159	..	89	12	..	..	..	..	..	121
GRAND TOTAL	9	120	..	2	3	177	..	22	1	..	2	38	5	..	4	179	7	17	9	4	268	..	123	22	..	..	..	..	..	318

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

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RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 21, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 17, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 17th Nov. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	353	98	231	22	15	224	10.7	7	6	..	18	..	3	3	2	10	9	11	12	36	22	16	136	56	40	47.9	0.60	2.7	5,100
2. Edinburgh	474,500	124	34	98	11	3	90	9.9	1	2	..	3	1	1	..	1	..	..	6	2	18	12	5	57	58	43	48.9	0.01	3.4	1,480
3. Aberdeen	183,800	49	19	60	14	4	50	14.2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	7	11	3	36	56	34	46.1	0.48	13.2	691
4. Dundee	178,300	61	11	49	8	4	45	13.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	..	2	9	7	1	32	55	37	47.6	0.06	6.0	722
5. Paisley	94,400	31	4	16	5	1	12	6.6	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	1	..	8	57	42	49.9	0.18	4.4	416
6. Greenock	76,700	19	7	21	2	1	20	13.6	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	1	2	2	11	57	42	49.3	0.44	3.3	449
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	27	6	8	..	8	16	12.1	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	2	1	..	2	..	3	9	..	..	..	..	..	528
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	18	10	14	2	1	13	13.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	4	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	295
9. Coatbridge	49,200	22	5	9	..	4	13	13.8	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	2	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	299
10. Dunfermline	45,200	11	5	6	..	1	7	8.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	57	39	48.4	0.15	1.6	329
11. Clydebank	45,700	15	5	8	5	3	6	6.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	312
12. Ayr	43,200	18	6	12	3	2	11	13.3	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	309
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	12	4	5	..	3	8	9.9	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	4	55	41	48.2	0.63	5.3	238
14. Perth	40,300	12	5	13	4	2	11	14.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	10	57	35	47.1	0.05	3.4	185
15. Hamilton	41,100	15	4	9	..	5	14	17.8	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	4	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	547
16. Falkirk	37,100	11	1	14	2	1	13	18.3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	267
17. Airdrie	31,400	16	3	5	..	3	8	13.3	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	207
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Nov. 21, 1953.	2,588,300	814	227	578	78	61	561	11.3	18	11	1	29	3	4	3	4	17	16	28	18	89	77	33	353	58†	34†	48.2‡	0.29‡	4.8‡	
Nov. 14, 1953.	2,588,300	853	277	623	103	55	575	11.6	25	16	3	30	7	6	1	3	9	8	20	24	104	86	30	327	54†	31†	44.2‡	2.38‡	7.4‡	
Nov. 22, 1952.	2,577,500‖	715	260	619	92	42	569	11.5	20	23	1	33	4	6	2	..	17	15	40		120	88	23	325	45†	28†	38.2‡	0.60‡	8.2‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 28th November 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 28th November 1953, the births of 782 living children, and of 18 still-born children, 283 marriages and 541 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 15.8 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 5.7 and the death-rate 10.9. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 23 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.6 less than in the previous week, and 0.5 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.1 more than in the previous week, but 0.1 below the average. The death-rate is 0.4 less than in the previous week, and 1.9 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 15.7 in Ayr and 12.8 in Motherwell and Wishaw to 5.3 in Kirkcaldy and 3.8 in Hamilton. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Edinburgh 12.0 and in Dundee 11.7. In Glasgow the rate was 11.4.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1 and are 3 fewer than in the previous week. The death registered was from influenza. There was also 1 death from bacillary dysentery.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 19, of which 16 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 2 more than in the previous week but the latter are the same.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 40, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.8 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 0.5 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 23, being 6 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 8 were aged 0-6 days and 4 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 345, and are 8 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 23, and are 10 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 24th November 1953, was 16,897. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 46.9° being 1.3° below that for the previous week, but 6.6° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.87 inch, and the mean sunshine 10.8 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 47 — **Week ended SATURDAY, November 28th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	8	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	9
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	3	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	1	6	..	9	1	..	..	..	..	3
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	5	3	..	1	1	17	..	11	1	..	..	..	..	6
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dundee B.	1	21	..	..	..	4	1	3	..	..	..	2	2	..	1	10	..	..	..	..	9	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	26
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	2	..	1	6	3	1	..	1	16	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	41
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	13
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	9
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18
																							16	2					114

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	10
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	11
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	5	..	5	..	24	..	21	2	..	..	..	..	44
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	8
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	9	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	10
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	18	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	5	..	5	1	43	..	27	4	..	..	..	..	89
WESTERN AREA.—																												
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	12	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	9
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	8	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	3	..	..	2	13	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	17	..	1	..	17	..	10	1	..	..	..	..	12
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Glasgow B.	9	137	..	2	9	93	..	11	..	..	..	5	1	..	..	82	..	2	10	3	59	..	48	4	..	..	..	..	84
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	1
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Renfrew C.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	6	..	2	1	..	..	..	1
Greenock B.	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	5	..	7	1	..	..	..	7
Paisley B.	..	1	..	..	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	1	..	..	..	10
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	21	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
TOTAL	12	146	..	2	12	134	..	24	..	..	..	12	2	..	1	121	4	7	10	4	170	..	97	12	..	..	..	148
GRAND TOTAL	13	170	..	2	12	159	1	33	1	..	..	31	7	..	4	152	11	13	13	7	286	..	157	19	..	..	..	366

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 47

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 28, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 24, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 24th Nov. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	340	116	249	22	10	237	11.4	10	6	..	11	3	1	1	1	8	7	11	9	44	33	10	146	52	42	46.7	0.65	3.8	4,687
2. Edinburgh	474,500	119	50	124	17	2	109	12.0	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	4	4	3	16	13	3	77	56	41	46.9	0.76	19.4	1,380
3. Aberdeen	183,800	59	24	46	12	..	34	9.6	1	..	1	2	..	1	..	..	1	1	2	2	5	9	3	23	53	36	44.7	0.50	12.7	692
4. Dundee	178,300	53	20	42	5	3	40	11.7	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	1	13	7	2	23	52	40	46.4	0.48	15.4	744
5. Paisley	94,400	24	8	25	5	1	21	11.6	1	1	..	2	1	1	..	..	2	1	1	1	2	7	..	11	54	44	48.0	1.18	7.0	418
6. Greenock	76,700	30	13	15	..	1	16	10.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	9	52	44	48.3	2.09	7.3	447
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	23	5	14	1	4	17	12.8	..	..	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	4	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	567
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	13	2	7	3	1	5	5.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	245
9. Coatbridge	49,200	21	5	6	..	1	7	7.4	..	..	1	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	263
10. Dunfermline	45,200	10	4	10	3	1	8	9.2	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	3	58	40	47.6	0.58	13.6	324
11. Clydebank	45,700	22	5	6	2	1	5	5.7	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	293
12. Ayr	43,200	8	6	13	2	2	13	15.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	273
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	10	6	11	3	1	9	11.1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	1	7	53	41	47.4	0.86	10.9	230
14. Perth	40,300	16	9	7	3	1	5	6.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	5	53	40	46.3	0.70	6.7	209
15. Hamilton	41,100	13	5	2	1	2	3	3.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	463
16. Falkirk	37,100	7	4	11	4	1	8	11.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	1	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	272
17. Airdrie	31,400	14	1	2	..	2	4	6.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	195
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Nov. 28, 1953.	2,588,300	782	283	590	83	34	541	10.9	18	8	4	23	4	5	3	1	19	16	20	20	94	86	23	345	58†	36†	46.9‡	0.87‡	10.8‡	
Nov. 21, 1953.	2,588,300	814	227	578	78	61	561	11.3	18	11	1	29	3	4	3	4	17	16	28	18	89	77	33	353	58†	34†	48.2‡	0.29‡	4.8‡	
Nov. 29, 1952.	2,577,500	829	302	677	102	43	618	12.5	23	12	3	30	6	4	2	1	15	13	62		96	93	32	387	42†	15†	31.4‡	0.08‡	26.7‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

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WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 5th December 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 5th December 1953, the births of 832 living children, and of 27 still-born children, 372 marriages and 523 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 16.8 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 7.5 and the death-rate 10.5. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 31 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 1.0 more than in the previous week, and 0.2 above the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.8 more than in the previous week, and 0.3 above the average. The death-rate is 0.4 less than in the previous week, and 2.9 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 16.0 in Paisley and 15.5 in Perth to 5.0 in Airdrie and 4.2 in Coatbridge. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Dundee 13.5 and in Ayr 13.3. In Glasgow the rate was 9.6 and in Edinburgh 10.8.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 1 and are the same as in the previous week. The death registered was from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 18, of which 14 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 1 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 2 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 38, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.8 per thousand. This death-rate is the same as in the previous week, but 0.7 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 24, being 1 more than in the previous week. Of these, 14 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 329, and are 16 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 13, and are 10 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 1st December 1953, was 16,143. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 45.6° being 1.3° below that for the previous week, but 4.5° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 2.05 inches and the mean sunshine 6.9 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 48 — **Week ended SATURDAY, December 5th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	9	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	11
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	7	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	30
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	9	1	..	..	..	18	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	30
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	8
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dundee B.	1	28	..	..	1	8	..	7	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	16	..	..	..	..	12	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	22
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	..	..	..	20	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	33
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	19
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	11
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	27

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	11
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	20	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	13	..	..	1	..	17	..	14	2	..	..	1	..	20
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	9	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	16
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	27	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	13	3	..	2	..	46	..	25	4	..	..	1	..	63
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	9	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	4
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	7
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	1	..	..	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	11	..	1	2	..	15	..	9	3	..	..	..	..	20
Airdrie B.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	22	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Glasgow B.	9	102	..	4	7	68	..	4	..	..	..	8	..	..	3	84	..	3	8	3	59	..	32	3	..	..	..	..	65
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	6	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	3
Greenock B.	..	2	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	4	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	2
Paisley B.	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	9	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	24
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	15	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
TOTAL	11	107	..	4	9	91	..	15	1	..	..	19	1	..	4	124	1	5	10	4	199	..	77	12	..	..	..	..	162
GRAND TOTAL	13	136	..	4	10	129	..	28	6	..	..	22	3	..	9	164	9	6	12	6	323	..	126	18	..	..	1	..	390

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 48

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 5, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 1, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 1st Dec. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	377	181	214	27	14	201	9.6	12	5	..	8	1	3	1	..	7	5	6	8	39	23	4	125	55	27	44.5	2.28	6.4	4,400
2. Edinburgh	474,500	105	64	111	19	6	98	10.8	5	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	10	8	3	..	22	9	5	67	56	32	46.9	1.93	9.9	1,393
3. Aberdeen	183,800	55	26	54	12	..	42	11.9	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	4	13	..	28	57	29	45.1	1.17	13.5	621
4. Dundee	178,300	55	26	43	3	6	46	13.5	3	3	..	5	1	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	5	9	1	30	53	29	44.4	1.06	7.8	732
5. Paisley	94,400	28	15	29	3	3	29	16.0	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	7	2	2	10	56	30	46.4	2.88	4.8	372
6. Greenock	76,700	30	7	20	2	..	18	12.2	1	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	1	..	9	56	31	46.0	3.18	2.4	396
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	24	10	10	2	3	11	8.3	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	2	1	2	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	506
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	16	8	10	3	2	9	9.5	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	253
9. Coatbridge	49,200	21	2	2	..	2	4	4.2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	238
10. Dunfermline	45,200	8	7	9	2	2	9	10.4	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	4	56	28	45.6	1.52	2.8	311
11. Clydebank	45,700	15	3	7	3	6	10	11.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	1	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	262
12. Ayr	43,200	22	5	9	..	2	11	13.3	..	1	..	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	267
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	15	4	5	1	2	6	7.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	56	29	45.4	2.64	6.1	234
14. Perth	40,300	15	4	9	..	3	12	15.5	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	2	..	8	55	24	46.1	1.76	8.8	171
15. Hamilton	41,100	13	3	4	1	3	6	7.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	436
16. Falkirk	37,100	22	6	10	2	..	8	11.2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	242
17. Airdrie	31,400	11	1	3	1	1	3	5.0	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	184
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Dec. 5, 1953.	2,588,300	832	372	549	81	55	523	10.5	27	14	1	24	3	7	3	1	18	14	19	19	95	66	13	329	57†	24†	45.6‡	2.05‡	6.9‡	
Nov. 28, 1953.	2,588,300	782	283	590	83	34	541	10.9	18	8	4	23	4	5	3	1	19	16	20	20	94	86	23	345	58†	36†	46.9‡	0.87‡	10.8‡	
Dec. 6, 1952.	2,577,500	817	357	884	108	58	834	16.9	27	10	4	30	2	6	..	5	28	26	113		108	107	32	521	49†	14†	33.6‡	0.04‡	9.6‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 12th December 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 12th December 1953, the births of 792 living children, and of 22 still-born children, 315 marriages and 589 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 16.0 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 6.3 and the death-rate 11.9. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 27 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.8 less than in the previous week, and 0.5 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 1.2 less than in the previous week, and 0.7 below the average. The death-rate is 1.4 more than in the previous week, but 2.4 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 16.9 in Ayr and 16.7 in Dundee to 6.2 in Kilmarnock and 5.2 in Perth. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Clydebank 14.8 and in Aberdeen 14.5. In Glasgow the rate was 10.7 and in Edinburgh 12.2.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 3 and are 2 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from whooping-cough and 2 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 14, of which 12 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 4 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 2 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 37, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 0.7 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.1 less than in the previous week, and 1.0 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 17, being 7 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 7 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 361, and are 32 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 28, and are 15 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 8th December 1953, was 15,696. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 45.1° being 0.5° below that for the previous week, but 4.5° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.42 inch, and the mean sunshine 1.0 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 49 — **Week ended SATURDAY, December 12th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	1	1	5	..	9	..	..	..	1	..	1
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	7
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	4	..	1	1	8	..	17	..	..	..	1	..	9
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	8	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dundee B.	..	11	..	..	..	11	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	21	..	..	..	1	4	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	18
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	1	..	..	14	..	4	3	..	..	..	..	31
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Kirkcaldy B.	..	5	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	20
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	48
						13		4	2				1			25	2	2		1	21		16	6					139

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	9
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	6
Edinburgh B.	1	..	..	..	..	24	..	3	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	24	..	13	5	..	..	..	..	45
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	11
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	13
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	25	..	6	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	7	1	1	..	..	49	..	22	5	..	..	..	..	85
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	2	..	..	8	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	7
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	1	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	4	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	20	..	..	1	..	21	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	25
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Glasgow B.	9	97	..	3	2	82	..	6	..	..	1	32	1	..	2	136	..	3	7	1	50	..	32	2	..	..	..	..	65
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	4	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	1
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Renfrew C.	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Greenock B.	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	..	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Paisley B.	..	10	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	4	3	..	..	..	..	1
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
TOTAL	10	115	..	3	2	127	..	13	7	..	1	43	2	..	2	186	6	6	8	1	143	..	76	6	..	..	..	..	146
GRAND TOTAL	11	131	..	3	2	167	..	27	9	..	1	47	3	..	2	229	13	10	9	4	234	..	135	19	..	..	1	..	382

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 49

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 12, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 8, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 8th Dec. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	326	134	234	25	14	223	10.7	7	5	..	9	2	..	..	..	6	5	2	10	43	28	13	121	50	28	43.9	0.66	..	4,407
2. Edinburgh	474,500	131	60	124	15	2	111	12.2	5	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	4	4	6	5	28	17	5	80	52	39	45.8	0.23	5.1	1,232
3. Aberdeen	183,800	54	32	58	9	2	51	14.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	1	7	11	2	37	49	32	43.9	0.29	0.5	598
4. Dundee	178,300	53	25	56	4	5	57	16.7	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	3	1	1	4	1	8	9	4	34	51	30	43.9	0.34	0.3	676
5. Paisley	94,400	36	12	31	8	2	25	13.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	8	..	15	51	35	46.5	0.53	0.1	355
6. Greenock	76,700	28	11	19	4	2	17	11.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	5	4	..	8	53	31	46.2	0.65	..	396
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	26	3	14	2	7	19	14.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	4	1	11	..	..	..	..	..	461
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	13	4	12	6	3	9	9.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	261
9. Coatbridge	49,200	21	2	6	..	1	7	7.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	244
10. Dunfermline	45,200	9	2	8	2	3	9	10.4	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	..	4	51	43	46.0	0.38	1.1	250
11. Clydebank	45,700	13	3	11	3	5	13	14.8	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	252
12. Ayr	43,200	17	2	15	3	2	14	16.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	4	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	256
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	20	8	7	3	1	5	6.2	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	52	29	45.6	0.42	1.5	254
14. Perth	40,300	10	4	5	1	..	4	5.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	52	28	44.0	0.30	..	167
15. Hamilton	41,100	11	3	7	..	4	11	14.0	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	406
16. Falkirk	37,100	10	5	14	5	..	9	12.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	270
17. Airdrie	31,400	14	5	4	1	2	5	8.3	2	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	156
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Dec. 12, 1953.	2,588,300	792	315	625	91	55	589	11.9	22	7	1	17	3	2	..	3	14	12	17	20	110	93	28	361	53†	28†	45.1‡	0.42‡	1.0‡	
Dec. 5, 1953.	2,588,300	832	372	549	81	55	523	10.5	27	14	1	24	3	7	3	1	18	14	19	19	95	66	13	329	57†	24†	45.6‡	2.05‡	6.9‡	
Dec. 13, 1952.	2,577,500‖	854	317	893	96	64	861	17.5	26	17	8	49	7	4	3	6	32	31	138		110	115	39	538	51†	24†	41.4‡	0.98‡	7.0‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 50

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 19th December 1953

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In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 19th December 1953, the births of 783 living children, and of 19 still-born children, 350 marriages and 559 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 15.8 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 7.1 and the death-rate 11.3. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 24 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 0.2 less than in the previous week, and 1.6 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 0.8 more than in the previous week, and 0.7 above the average. The death-rate is 0.6 less than in the previous week, and 3.2 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 16.5 in Hamilton and 15.7 in Ayr to 7.4 in Coatbridge and 6.8 in Greenock. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Perth 15.5 and in Aberdeen 13.9. In Glasgow the rate was 10.4 and in Edinburgh 11.8.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 4 and are 1 more than in the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal infections and 3 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 18, of which 17 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 4 more than in the previous week, and the latter 5 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 55, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.1 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.4 more than in the previous week, but 0.7 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 25, being 8 more than in the previous week. Of these, 7 were aged 0-6 days and 1 was aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 319, and are 42 fewer than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 30, and are 2 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 15th December 1953, was 15,392. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 41.3° being 3.8° below that for the previous week, but 1.9° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.46 inch, and the mean sunshine 9.7 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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No. 50 **Week ended SATURDAY, December 19th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
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Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Dundee B.	..	23	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	..	2	20	..	1	..	1	6	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	16
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	1	14	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	36
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	22
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	35
TOTAL	..	30	..	..	..	12	..	5	..	..	..	2	4	..	3	25	3	1	..	2	36	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	138

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	4
Midlothian C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	4
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	30	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	12	..	6	..	..	16	..	13	2	..	..	..	..	43
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	9
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	10
TOTAL	1	..	..	..	..	31	..	2	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	13	1	6	..	..	27	..	20	4	..	..	..	..	77
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	8	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	10
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	5
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	11	..	..	..	..	12	..	11	4	..	..	..	..	29
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	6
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
Glasgow B.	10	97	..	2	4	81	..	10	..	..	..	15	2	..	3	143	..	1	2	4	38	..	45	8	1	..	..	..	72
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Renfrew C.	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	8	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	4
Greenock B.	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	7
Paisley B.	..	3	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	8	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	16
Port-Glasgow B.	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	7	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
TOTAL	11	109	..	2	5	111	..	15	3	..	1	36	2	..	5	193	4	1	2	4	121	..	91	18	1	..	..	..	176
GRAND TOTAL	13	139	..	2	5	156	..	23	3	..	1	42	6	..	8	234	11	8	3	7	202	..	142	24	1	..	..	..	396

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

No. 50

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 19, 1953

RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 15, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 15th Dec. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	350	137	230	25	16	221	10.4	9	4	..	12	1	2	..	..	14	13	6	17	38	32	9	112	52	32	40.5	0.37	4.5	4,305
2. Edinburgh	474,500	106	70	114	12	5	107	11.8	4	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	7	25	15	5	74	52	31	42.1	0.21	18.3	1,328
3. Aberdeen	183,800	51	39	55	7	1	49	13.9	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	11	10	29	49	28	40.9	0.70	16.0	596
4. Dundee	178,300	62	26	47	5	3	45	13.2	..	1	1	4	..	1	..	2	1	1	8	2	9	2	1	29	49	29	40.2	0.70	9.0	704
5. Paisley	94,400	24	14	23	5	..	18	9.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	5	4	..	6	53	32	42.4	0.35	2.5	395
6. Greenock	76,700	24	7	14	4	..	10	6.8	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	8	53	34	42.7	0.66	4.3	387
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	22	10	16	3	2	15	11.3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	3	1	2	9	..	..	..	..	..	503
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	13	8	5	..	5	10	10.6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	1	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	235
9. Coatbridge	49,200	15	7	5	..	2	7	7.4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	226
10. Dunfermline	45,200	19	3	9	2	2	9	10.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	..	4	53	34	42.4	0.36	11.9	239
11. Clydebank	45,700	20	4	10	..	..	10	11.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	255
12. Ayr	43,200	18	4	12	2	3	13	15.7	..	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	274
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	8	6	9	2	1	8	9.9	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	6	53	32	41.2	0.34	11.5	201
14. Perth	40,300	9	6	14	4	2	12	15.5	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	2	2	8	50	23	39.1	0.46	8.9	145
15. Hamilton	41,100	14	5	11	2	4	13	16.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	458
16. Falkirk	37,100	11	2	12	6	1	7	9.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	227
17. Airdrie	31,400	17	2	4	..	1	5	8.3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	156
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Dec. 19, 1953.	2,588,300	783	350	590	79	48	559	11.3	19	7	1	25	1	4	..	4	18	17	21	34	104	84	30	319	53†	23†	41.3‡	0.46‡	9.7‡	
Dec. 12, 1953.	2,588,300	792	315	625	91	55	589	11.9	22	7	1	17	3	2	..	3	14	12	17	20	110	93	28	361	53†	28†	45.1‡	0.42‡	1.0‡	
Dec. 20, 1952.	2,577,500‖	769	262	800	110	56	746	15.1	25	17	4	42	6	7	3	5	17	14	104		110	103	23	459	47†	16†	33.8‡	1.26‡	7.1‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland. † Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices. ‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951. § Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 51

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
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BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 26th December 1953

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 26th December 1953, the births of 666 living children, and of 14 still-born children, 538 marriages and 641 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 13.4 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 10.8 and the death-rate 12.9. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 21 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 2.4 less than in the previous week, and 2.8 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 3.7 more than in the previous week, and 2.2 above the average. The death-rate is 1.6 more than in the previous week, but 1.0 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 16.7 in Dundee and 16.6 in Airdrie to 7.4 in Coatbridge and 2.6 in Perth. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Greenock 16.3 and in Falkirk 15.4. In Glasgow the rate was 13.0 and in Edinburgh 13.8.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 4 and are the same as in the previous week. They include 2 from meningococcal infections and 2 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 29, of which 27 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 11 more than in the previous week, and the latter 10 more.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 68, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.4 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.3 more than in the previous week, but 0.3 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 47, being 22 more than in the previous week. Of these, 20 were aged 0-6 days and 8 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 374, and are 55 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 21, and are 9 fewer than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 22nd December 1953, was 13,647. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 42.0° being 0.7° above that for the previous week, and 2.8° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 1.20 inches, and the mean sunshine 11.4 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 51 **Week ended SATURDAY, December 26th, 1953.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3
†Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
†Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	13
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Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	23	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	7
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Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	11
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Dundee B.	2	12	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	41	..	..	..	..	4	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	10
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	1	1	..	1	8	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	16
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Kirkcaldy B.	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	10
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
TOTAL	2	14				5		5	1		1		2		1	53	1	1		1	26		12						72

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	16	..	5	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	12	..	8	..	1	..	..	..	43
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	16	..	5	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	11	..	1	..	..	39	..	11	1	1	..	..	..	63
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	5	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	6
Ayr B.	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kilmarnock B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	7	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	2
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
Lanark C.	1	1	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	1	1	..	15	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	21
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Glasgow B.	10	67	..	1	6	63	..	5	..	..	..	11	..	..	6	120	..	1	4	..	47	..	40	3	..	..	..	..	46
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	..	10	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	3
Greenock B.	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	9	2	..	..	..	..	..
Paisley B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	4	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
TOTAL	13	73	..	1	7	85	..	7	1	..	..	14	..	..	6	178	3	5	5	..	130	..	76	13	..	..	..	..	97
GRAND TOTAL	15	87	..	1	7	107	..	21	2	..	1	16	2	..	8	249	4	7	5	1	212	..	109	15	1	..	..	..	252

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

† Return not received.

No. 51

RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 26, 1953
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 22, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic § Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 22nd Dec. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	254	240	296	38	14	272	13.0	5	12	4	27	3	3	2	1	15	14	14	20	38	27	10	149	50	30	41.5	1.41	7.9	3,772
2. Edinburgh	474,500	119	108	136	17	7	126	13.8	2	3	2	9	2	1	..	1	3	3	8	6	22	18	5	81	52	35	42.9	0.81	16.7	1,110
3. Aberdeen	183,800	44	21	40	7	2	35	9.9	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	7	4	2	25	50	34	40.8	0.42	15.4	503
4. Dundee	178,300	50	38	57	8	8	57	16.7	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	2	2	4	2	8	7	2	34	49	30	40.0	0.58	10.0	627
5. Paisley	94,400	26	18	23	4	2	21	11.6	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	3	4	2	..	13	52	33	43.9	1.71	10.8	342
6. Greenock	76,700	32	14	25	1	..	24	16.3	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	2	2	..	..	3	2	..	12	51	36	43.5	2.62	6.4	369
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	20	17	14	2	3	15	11.3	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	2	2	..	2	2	1	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	415
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	17	6	7	2	3	8	8.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	196
9. Coatbridge	49,200	14	9	3	..	4	7	7.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	202
10. Dunfermline	45,200	16	9	13	3	1	11	12.7	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	7	51	31	41.9	0.79	13.0	205
11. Clydebank	45,700	14	9	11	2	2	11	12.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	3	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	250
12. Ayr	43,200	10	6	12	2	..	10	12.1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	240
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	16	17	7	..	3	10	12.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	4	..	6	52	32	43.1	1.38	12.2	172
14. Perth	40,300	9	8	5	3	..	2	2.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	52	29	40.2	1.08	10.1	141
15. Hamilton	41,100	7	7	8	..	3	11	14.0	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	1	2	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	417
16. Falkirk	37,100	9	6	14	4	1	11	15.4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	2	1	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	203
17. Airdrie	31,400	9	5	7	..	3	10	16.6	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	3	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	156
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Dec. 26, 1953.	2,588,300	666	538	678	93	56	641	12.9	14	20	8	47	7	5	2	4	29	27	31	37	100	78	21	374	52†	29†	42.0‡	1.20‡	11.4‡	
Dec. 19, 1953.	2,588,300	783	350	590	79	48	559	11.3	19	7	1	25	1	4	..	4	18	17	21	34	104	84	30	319	53†	23†	41.3‡	0.46‡	9.7‡	
Dec. 27, 1952.	2,577,500‖	778	535	821	110	52	763	15.5	30	14	2	29	6	5	3	5	24	22	90		103	78	27	465	49†	24†	38.1‡	1.01‡	11.0‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes.

‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward area served by these offices.

‖ Estimated population at 31st December 1951.

§ Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Meningococcal Infections, Measles and Influenza.

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No. 52

WEEKLY RETURN OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
SCOTLAND

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES
INFECTIOUS DISEASES
NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT
WEATHER REPORT

Week ended Saturday, 2nd January 1954

In the Seventeen Principal Towns of Scotland, being those burghs which at the date of the 1951 Census had populations of over 30,000, there were registered during the week ended 2nd January 1954, the births of 823 living children, and of 20 still-born children, 800 marriages and 647 deaths. In the case of births, still-births and deaths the numbers are corrected to allow for usual residence. The equivalent annual birth-rate (living children only) is 16.6 per thousand of the population, the marriage-rate 16.1 and the death-rate 13.0. The number of still-births corresponds to a rate of 24 per thousand total births registered (including still-born).

The birth-rate of the week is 3.2 more than in the previous week, but 0.3 below the five years' average. The marriage-rate is 5.3 more than in the previous week, but the same as the average. The death-rate is 0.1 more than in the previous week, but 2.0 below the average.

The weekly death-rates in the individual towns ranged from 17.5 in Dundee and 16.9 in Falkirk to 6.8 in Clydebank and 3.2 in Coatbridge. Relatively high death-rates occurred in Paisley 14.9 and in Dunfermline 13.8. In Glasgow the rate was 12.9 and in Edinburgh 13.4.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 3 and are 1 fewer than in the previous week. They include 1 from meningococcal infections, 1 from whooping-cough and 1 from influenza.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis numbered 15, of which 14 were from tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former are 14 fewer than in the previous week, and the latter 13 fewer.

Deaths from respiratory diseases (other than tubercular, influenzal and malignant) numbered 54, and equalled an annual death-rate from these causes of 1.1 per thousand. This death-rate is 0.3 less than in the previous week, and 0.8 below the average.

Deaths of children aged less than one year numbered 36, being 11 fewer than in the previous week. Of these, 18 were aged 0-6 days and 4 were aged 7-27 days. Deaths of persons aged sixty-five years and over numbered 392, and are 18 more than in the previous week.

Deaths attributed to violent causes numbered 31, and are 10 more than in the previous week.

The number of new claims to sickness benefit under the National Insurance Acts made at Local Offices of the Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance in Scotland during the week ended 29th December 1953, was 13,231. The number of such claims made at the Seventeen Principal Towns is shown on the last page of this return.

The mean temperature for the towns from which returns were received was 39.8° being 2.2° below that for the previous week, but 0.9° above the average for the corresponding week in the period 1901-1930.

The mean rainfall was 0.13 inches, and the mean sunshine 13.2 hours.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are, except where otherwise stated, the mean of the comparable rates in the Principal Towns in the corresponding week of the five preceding years.

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TURN OVER

WEEKLY RETURN OF CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR SCOTLAND

No. 52 **Week ended SATURDAY, January 2nd, 1954.**

COUNTIES AND LARGE BURGHS	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	* Chickenpox	Cholera	Continued Fever	Diphtheria	Dysentery	Encephalitis Lethargica	Erysipelas	Jaundice, Acute Infective	Leprosy	Malaria	* Measles	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Plague	Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal	Pneumonia, Acute Primary	* Pneumonia, not otherwise notifiable	Poliomyelitis Acute	Puerperal Fever	Puerperal Pyrexia	Scarlet Fever	Smallpox	Tuberculosis—Respiratory	Tuberculosis—Non-Respiratory	Typhoid Fever	Para-typhoid A	Para-typhoid B	Typhus Fever	Whooping Cough
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)
NORTHERN AREA.—																													
Caithness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Inverness C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Inverness B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orkney C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Ross and Cromarty C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sutherland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Zetland C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	1	4	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	2
NORTH-EASTERN AREA.—																													
Aberdeen C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aberdeen B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	1	..	..	5	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..
Banff C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2
Kincardine C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Moray and Nairn C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	6	2	1	..	..	14	..	16	4	..	..	..	..	2
EASTERN AREA.—																													
Angus C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
Arbroath B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dundee B.	..	2	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	25	..	..	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	7
Fife C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	2	1	..	..	18	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	23
Dunfermline B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcaldy B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Perth and Kinross C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	36
Perth B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	21
TOTAL		2	..	..	..	8	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	38	2	1	..	1	38	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	106

East Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	5
Midlothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	10
Edinburgh B.	..	..	..	..	..	15	..	2	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	16	..	2	..	1	8	..	16	3	..	..	..	..	28
Peebles C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roxburgh C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15
Selkirk C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	9
West Lothian C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	13	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	15
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	15	..	2	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	17	2	2	..	1	32	..	27	4	..	..	..	..	82
WESTERN AREA.—																													
Argyll C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ayr C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	16	..	1	..	..	6	..	3	2	..	..	..	..	5
Ayr B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kilmarnock B.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Bute C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Clackmannan C.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dunbarton C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..
Clydebank B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumbarton B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries C.	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dumfries B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kirkcudbright C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lanark C.	1	..	..	..	..	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	15	..	..	..	..	11	..	4	2	..	..	..	..	11
Airdrie B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Coatbridge B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	1
Glasgow B.	5	17	..	2	2	52	..	4	..	..	..	1	1	..	5	146	..	..	5	..	18	..	43	3	..	..	..	..	21
Hamilton B.	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	6
Motherwell & Wishaw B.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	5	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4
Rutherglen B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..
Renfrew C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenock B.	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	4
Paisley B.	..	2	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Port-Glasgow B.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stirling C.	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Falkirk B.	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2
Stirling B.	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wigtown C.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
TOTAL	8	31	..	2	3	80	..	14	1	..	..	4	3	..	15	215	12	2	5	..	78	..	71	13	..	..	..	..	69
GRAND TOTAL	8	33	..	2	3	105	..	22	1	..	..	13	4	..	19	278	18	6	6	3	166	..	120	23	..	..	..	..	261

NOTE. * Diseases so marked are not generally notifiable in Scotland

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RETURN OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES AND WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDED JANUARY 2, 1954
RETURN OF NEW CLAIMS TO SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR WEEK ENDED DECEMBER 29, 1953

TOWNS	Estimated Population at 31st Dec. 1952	Live Births*	Marriages	Deaths: Number Registered	Deaths: Transferred Out	Deaths: Transferred In	Deaths: Net Total Number	Deaths: Rate per 1000 of Estimated Population	Still-births	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 0-6 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: 7-27 days	Deaths of Infants under one year of age: Total under one year	Deaths from: Congenital Debility and Prematurity	Deaths from: Congenital Malformations	Deaths from: Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	Deaths from: Principal Epidemic§ Diseases	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: All Forms	Deaths from: Tuberculosis: Respiratory System	Deaths from: Pneumonia	Deaths from: Other Respiratory Diseases	Deaths from: Malignant Neoplasms	Deaths from: Coronary Thrombosis	Deaths from: Violence	Deaths of Persons aged 65 years and over	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Highest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Absolute Lowest	Temperature ° Fahr.: Mean Temperature (average of all observations)	Rainfall in Inches	Hours of Bright Sunshine	Return of New Claims to Sickness Benefit in week ending 29th Dec. 1953.**
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)
1. Glasgow	1,086,800	341	334	287	32	13	268	12.9	7	6	3	18	4	1	..	1	9	9	13	15	47	30	12	150	48	30	37.9	0.13	7.0	3,516
2. Edinburgh	474,500	118	129	129	12	5	122	13.4	5	1	1	4	..	1	..	2	2	2	4	4	16	28	5	78	49	34	40.9	0.17	19.1	1,069
3. Aberdeen	183,800	59	58	58	11	..	47	13.3	1	5	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	5	10	4	30	51	34	40.4	0.17	18.1	515
4. Dundee	178,300	71	57	62	7	5	60	17.5	3	3	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	9	12	4	38	45	28	37.9	0.17	19.5	594
5. Paisley	94,400	32	41	33	8	2	27	14.9	..	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	8	2	2	17	50	31	42.2	0.04	10.7	372
6. Greenock	76,700	26	20	21	4	..	17	11.6	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	5	2	2	8	51	35	42.8	0.13	4.4	325
7. Motherwell & Wishaw	69,100	28	28	13	2	7	18	13.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	1	5	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	456
8. Kirkcaldy	49,400	11	14	7	1	3	9	9.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	212
9. Coatbridge	49,200	25	24	1	..	2	3	3.2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	226
10. Dunfermline	45,200	13	15	13	2	1	12	13.8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	1	9	50	29	39.1	0.11	14.8	191
11. Clydebank	45,700	18	6	5	2	3	6	6.8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	208
12. Ayr	43,200	20	8	16	5	..	11	13.3	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	1	..	1	3	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	206
13. Kilmarnock	42,100	16	13	10	3	2	9	11.1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	49	25	38.3	0.16	10.2	203
14. Perth	40,300	10	12	12	5	2	9	11.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	7	53	27	38.6	0.07	15.2	145
15. Hamilton	41,100	16	20	8	..	2	10	12.7	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	390
16. Falkirk	37,100	10	7	14	3	1	12	16.9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	1	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	260
17. Airdrie	31,400	9	14	8	1	..	7	11.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	141
TOTALS FOR 17 Towns Week ended Jan. 2, 1954.	2,588,300	823	800	697	98	48	647	13.0	20	18	4	36	5	4	..	3	15	14	27	27	105	102	31	392	53†	25†	39.8‡	0.13‡	13.2‡	
Dec. 26, 1953.	2,588,300	666	538	678	93	56	641	12.9	14	20	8	47	7	5	2	4	29	27	31	37	100	78	21	374	52†	29†	42.0‡	1.20‡	11.4‡	
Jan. 3, 1953.	2,577,500‖	708	880	756	104	57	709	14.4	20	15	3	33	6	6	2	3	14	10	80		92	94	31	428	47†	19†	35.0‡	0.26‡	8.9‡	

* Numbers of Births, Still-births and Deaths (including death rates) have been provisionally corrected by transfer to place of usual residence if in Scotland.

† Weekly extremes. ‡ Weekly means.

**These figures represent the number of new claims made at Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance Offices in the towns named and include a number of claims made by insured persons resident in the landward

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